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## ALLIES ATTACK ALONG 3-MILE YPRÉS LINE

British and French Capture  
Several German Trenches  
and a Number of Prisoners  
Between Hollebeke and  
Wyttschaete, South of  
Ypres.

Army Headquarters at Vien-  
na Acknowledges Evacuation  
of Belgrade, Made  
Necessary by Retirement  
of Right Wing.

German Cruiser Enters  
American Port of Guam  
and Is Ordered to Depart  
in 24 Hours or Intern for  
the War.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—The Official Infor-  
mation Bureau today gave out the fol-  
lowing statement:

"After a period of comparative  
quiet, the fighting in Northern  
France has resumed.  
"A combined attack by the allies  
was made yesterday on the line from  
Hollebeke to Wyttschaete in Bel-  
gium. Several German trenches and  
a number of prisoners were cap-  
tured, and substantial progress was  
made."

Wyttschaete is five miles south of  
Ypres, Belgium, and Hollebeke lies  
about three miles northeast of Wyttschaete.  
Consequently, the line referred to in the statement is about three  
miles long.

**May Cover Wider Territory.**  
The statement issued by the bureau  
was interpreted in some quarters as  
marking the beginning of the much dis-  
cussed attempt to make general ad-  
vance. It will be noticed that the state-  
ment refers to fighting in Northern  
France, as well as in Belgium. This  
is taken to mean that the offensive  
movement stretches over a considerable  
area. It has been known for some time  
that the British army headquarters has  
been pushed to the eastward, and it is  
consequently assumed by British ob-  
servers that the allies have made more  
progress than has been chronicled.

North of the Ystria, along the Miava  
front, the struggle seems to be favoring  
the Russians, but neither side claims  
a decisive victory anywhere along the  
eastern front. The final engagement  
still remains to be fought out between  
Russia and the Turks.

Military observers in London, com-  
manding on Russia's failure to clear Po-  
land of German troops, dwell on the fact  
that even Russia's vast resources in men  
may continue to prove unavailing un-  
less existing methods of communication  
are improved. On two occasions Rus-  
sian forces approaching the German  
frontiers have been driven back by rea-  
son of the remarkable system of German  
railroads, which enables Germany to  
move its troops expeditiously, and it  
has been suggested that Russia should  
hasten at once the construction of new  
transverse lines in Poland and the im-  
provement of existing lines. Tem-  
porary lines, it is argued, could be laid  
at the rate of ten or twelve miles a day.

**Joffre Feeling Out Situations.**

While it seems clear that Germany is  
operating her main force in Poland,  
there is still no outward indication of  
a general advance on the part of the  
allies in the West. That Gen. Joffre,  
the French Commander in Chief, is feel-  
ing out the situation seems apparent,  
but so long as artillery duels continue to  
constitute most of the fighting only  
local progress can be expected, as it  
is a matter of chance that guns alone can  
not bring a decision.

Germany has shifted so many of her  
troops to the Eastern arena that the  
allies now much outnumber them in  
France and Flanders. This condition,  
taken together with the fact of French  
and British reinforcements, is leading  
Berlin, according to report, to expect  
pronounced activity on the part of the  
allies at any moment.

## AUSTRIANS GIVE UP BELGRADE

Servian Capital Evacuated With-  
out Fighting Owing to Re-  
tirement of Right Wing.

VIENNA, via London, Dec. 15.—The  
abandonment of Belgrade by the Aus-  
trians is acknowledged in an official  
statement given out at army head-  
quarters today. The statement follows:  
"In the Southern theater of war the  
retirement of our right wing involved  
change in the military situation, which  
made it advisable for us to abandon  
Belgrade, which was evacuated without  
fighting."

"Our troops have fought long and  
brilliant battles, but are in the best of  
spirits."

Following a siege of four months, the  
Austrians occupied Belgrade Dec. 2.

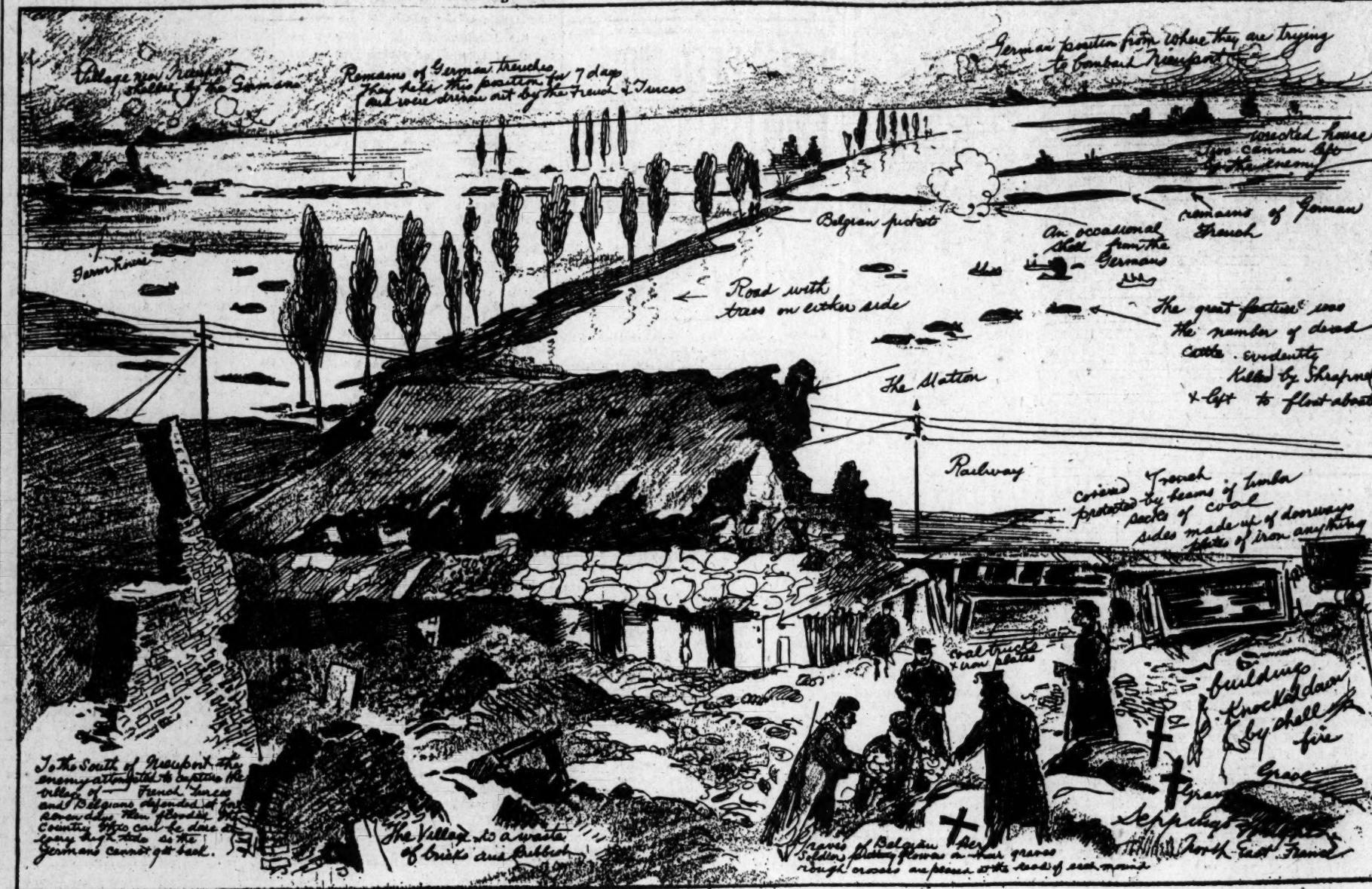
**Practically Conquered Positions;**  
Germans Gain in Alsace.

PARIS, Dec. 15.—The War Office's of-  
ficial announcement, given out this af-  
ternoon, follows:

"Between the sea and the Lys the

## Battlefield, South of Nieuport, Belgium, Flooded to Drive Germans Out

Facsimile Sketch by H. C. SEPPINGS WRIGHT for the Illustrated London News



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The floods spread by the Belgians in the valley of Yser have played an important part in the operations. They were planned by a Belgian engineer in charge of the sluices at Nieuport, and he has received the Order of King Leopold for his services. Describing the situation on November 2, five days after the inundation began, the now-famous British Headquarters "Eye-witness" wrote: "The inundation round Nieuport had by this day reached the enemy's trenches, and it is stated that two heavy guns and some field artillery had to be abandoned in the mud." A very fierce fight took place for the possession of Ramecapelle, a village some three miles south of Nieuport. At one time the Germans broke through the Belgian lines there, and, as this would have opened the way to Furnes, it was necessary to retake the village at any cost. The task was achieved by four battalions assisted by French reinforcements, including the Algerian riflemen, whose gallant charges, it is said, saved the situation. The village itself has been battered to pieces by shell-fire. Near by is a farm where the battery of German guns sank up to the axles in water. The French official communiqué of Nov. 20 said: "In front of Ramecapelle two mortars of 165 mm. which had been abandoned by the Germans, were recovered from the water." At a farm on higher ground 400 Germans, it is said, were cut off by the floods, and were shot in detail as they tried to escape.

### COLD IS TO CONTINUE TONIGHT AND TOMORROW

#### THE TEMPERATURES.

12 midnight..... 7° a. m..... 6°  
1 a. m..... 8° a. m..... 9°  
2 a. m..... 10° a. m..... 11°  
3 a. m..... 12° a. m..... 14°  
4 a. m..... 13° noon..... 15°  
5 a. m..... 14° p. m..... 19°

#### Yesterday's Temperatures.

High..... 15 at 5 p. m. Low..... 3 at 7 a. m.

While St. Louis still shivered at  
the opening of the second day of the  
season's initial cold wave this  
morning, the temperature was a  
slightly higher on the pre-  
ceding day.

The official

weather bureau's  
thermometer regis-  
tered 4 degrees

above zero at 6 a. m. and 6 de-  
grees at 7 a. m., com-  
pared with yester-  
day's mini-  
mum of 3 degrees,

which was record-  
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Official forecast for St. Louis and  
vicinity: Partly cloudy and continued  
cold tonight and tomorrow; the low-  
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day by the Weather Bureau. The cold  
weather of the season thus far pre-  
valled today generally East of the Mis-  
sissippi River and in the Northwest.

## BABY IS BROUGHT INTO LIFE AFTER ITS MOTHER DIES

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—A remarkable  
surgical operation—there is only one  
other like it on record in New York—  
was performed last night at the Beth  
David Hospital, and a girl was brought  
into the world alive and healthy four  
minutes after the death of her mother.

The woman was Mrs. Sadie Major, 30  
years old. Her husband died recently.

She was brought to the hospital by her  
father about 3:30 o'clock yesterday after-  
noon. As she was awaiting the coming  
of Dr. Nathan Blaustein, the house  
surgeon, she told her father she would  
like to walk to the corner and back, for  
she felt faint, and thought the fresh  
air would revive her.

On the street she collapsed. Supt. Ab-  
bel, who had not expected her to leave the  
hospital, had been watching her, seen  
attendants to assist her back to the  
hospital. Soon after the young woman  
was attacked by convulsions, and in the  
midst of which she died.

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## ELEPHANTS AND CAMELS LOOSE ON WASHINGTON AV.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Circus animals  
escaped from Kresser, Block Street Cars  
and Excite Crowds.

Two camels and two elephants  
belonging to a circus, "Stamped" at  
Jefferson and Washington avenues  
at 11 o'clock today when keepers  
started with them from the Col-  
iseum, where they had been doing  
menagerie duty at the Pan-American  
Kermess, to the circus winter  
quarters on Bremen avenue.

The procession, headed by a hippo-  
potamus in a cage, followed by  
four camels and the two elephants,  
was just swinging into Washington  
avenue when two of the camels came  
as near kicking up the heels of  
the keepers as they could.

The camels broke away from the  
keep who was leading them, and  
went snorting in zigzag course east  
on Washington avenue.

**Two Keepers Pursue Them.**

It appeared that they were not  
pleased with the temperature of the  
city and had decided that to the east-  
ward lay a warmer climate. They hit  
up a very nice pace down the grade.  
Two of the keepers took after them.  
The driver of the hippopotamus wagon  
turned the lines over to a volunteer and  
joined the keepers.

The elephants caught the spirit of  
insurrection, but it affected them dif-  
ferently. The smaller one, remem-  
bering that the Coliseum had been warm,  
sat down with its full seating capacity  
on the track and refused to proceed any  
further. The big one preferred action and  
dragged its companion.

**Animals Finally Recaptured.**

The flying camels were overtaken be-  
low Twenty-first street and rounded up.  
The tug-of-war between the elephants  
was declared a draw. The procession  
was reassembled and proceeded without  
further trouble. Motormen of blocked  
cars clanged their bells and started up  
and the interested populace dispersed.

**LONDON, Dec. 15.—A Petrograd dis-**

patch to the Daily News says that the

sympathetic switch on the part of  
Germany to force Sweden into the Ger-  
man camp has led the Stockholm Cab-  
inet not to consult with Denmark and Nor-  
way regarding a joint formula for guar-  
anteeing their position and inde-  
pendence.

**CONGRESSMAN'S RATIONS  
96C A DAY; DIPLOMATS' 90C**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The commit-  
tee which is making arrangements for

the formal opening of the Panama  
Canal next March is attempting to as-  
certain the probable cost to the Gov-  
ernment of taking the diplomatic corps  
and the members of Congress to the

celebration.

One ship will be used exclusively by

the diplomatic corps. Two vessels will

be needed to accommodate the national  
legislature.

Today this estimate was placed before

the committee:

Rations for Ambassadors, 90 cents per

day.

Rations for Congressmen, 96 cents per

day.

There was no explanation.

## SCANDINAVIA'S 3 KINGS TO MEET; UNIT AGAINST WAR

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

Conference at Malmo Friday

Will Evidence the Removal

of Strained Relations.

**COUNT VON HOENSROECK**

BERLIN, Dec. 15.—An utterance of Ad-  
miral Count von Spee before his departure

for the Orient two years ago to

command the cruiser squadron in reply

to a query as to what he

should do in case of war.

Admiral von Spee was in com-  
mand of the German squadron, four  
vessels of which were sunk by the  
British warships under Vice-Ad-  
miral Sir Frederick Sturdee in the  
South Atlantic, a week ago today. In  
reply to the query, Count von

Spee said:

"I hope I may meet many En-  
glishmen at the bottom of the

sea."

**British Nobleman Killed  
in a Flag-of-Truce Trap**

London, Dec. 15.—Members of the Marquis of Tweeddale and Earl of Aylesford have laid before

Lord Arthur Hay, the heir presumptive to the Tweeddale Marquise, and Lord Greenway, the eldest son of the Earl of Aylesford, who was killed by Germans

while holding a flag of truce.

The meeting of the three Kings will be

the first conference of these three

Scandinavian monarchs to discuss state

affairs since the dissolution of the dual

union between Norway and Sweden in 1814.

The three Kings will be accompanied

by their Ministers of Foreign Affairs and

secretaries, and will discuss affairs of



## NUMBER OF CARS OPERATED BY THE U. R. DECREASED

General Manager Says Receipts Have Fallen Off to a Large Extent.

### PASSENGERS WAIT LONGER

More People Get Seats, McCulloch Says—"Rush Hours" Cut to 30 Minutes.

The United Railways, in the last few weeks, has taken a number of street cars out of service, thus increasing the intervals at which cars are operated on the various lines.

Post-Dispatch reporters recently have noted that street cars were not operated at such close intervals as formerly, and one went to the United Railways general offices today to ask Richard McCulloch, the vice-president and general manager, about traffic conditions.

McCulloch, while admitting a number of cars had been taken off, would not give the exact number of cars or say just when the United Railways began increasing the intervals of its service.

#### Says Receipts Have Decreased.

The street car company, McCulloch said, is one of the most active barometers of business conditions, and feels a depression in a community quicker than any other single institution. He said there had been a very great decrease in the United Railway receipts and that cars had been taken off because the traffic was not as heavy as it normally is. He would not state just what the decrease in revenue had been.

The decrease in traffic began July, he said, and steadily worse.

Although cars were taken off, he said, the United Railways did not lay off a single employee. Instead, the working hours of each employee were shortened so that while employees' wages were not as much as formerly, none was entirely without a salary envelope.

#### Says Service Is Better.

McCulloch said that, although the service had been diminished, it was relatively better than formerly, as the United Railways had not taken off as many cars as would correspond to the decrease in traffic. There are more seats for passengers now, he said, than there were formerly, and as heavier and more cars were operated.

#### Theirs Is a Noticeable Decrease.

There has been a noticeable decrease in traffic in the middle of the day, after supper and on Sundays, as well as in the morning and evening "rush hours." "We might as well turn our cars into the barns after 3 p. m., as there is virtually no amusement travel now," McCulloch said.

#### "Rush Hours" Cut to 30 Minutes.

McCulloch ascribed the decrease in traffic to a large number of factory workers being out of work. When a man learns he is to be laid off, McCulloch said, the family immediately begins to retrace. While laid off the family stays at home, and when the man is back at work, it is necessary to curtail expenditures for a time to pay up debts incurred when out of work.

The neighborhood amusements, such as moving picture houses and school house gatherings, also have caused a slump in night traffic.

Bruce Cameron, transportation superintendent, said the United Railways "rush hours" had been cut from an hour and a half to 30 minutes. There are 30 car lines and 28 different "rush hour" schedules, varying as to the times of the day, the month, the month, the year. There was a decrease in the early-morning rush hour traffic due to factory employees being out of work, but within the last few days, he said, this traffic has begun to improve.

### CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL REPORT

About \$300,000 Expenditure in Three Years for Improvements.

The annual meeting of the Catholic Free High School Association was held at the Rosati High School, last night. The Rev. M. J. Dooley, president of the association, reported that upwards of \$30,000 had been expended within the past three years, putting the schools in the best possible condition. During the past year a domestic science course has been added for the girls and physical laboratories have been installed at both the girls' and the boys' high schools.

Archbishop Gleeson, chairman of the board, expressed his appreciation of the progress made.

On the address of the president of the Archdiocese, seven directors were elected to serve for three years. They are: The Rev. D. J. Lavery, the Rev. T. J. Walsh, the Rev. Joseph Shields, James Burns, Joseph F. Brockland, Thomas J. Dooley and Alphonse Schneiderhahn.

**DEAR MARY:** Announce our engagement at the Catholic High School, the same morning at Letitia Bros. & Co., the National Credit Jewelers, 24 fl., 6th st. Arkansas Loses \$300,000 Tax Split.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Dec. 15.—The State of Arkansas lost a suit for approximately \$300,000, which it held to be due in back taxes, when the Supreme Court yesterday held that the act of the Legislature in 1876 providing for a tax of 2% per cent on the net receipts of life insurance companies was invalid.

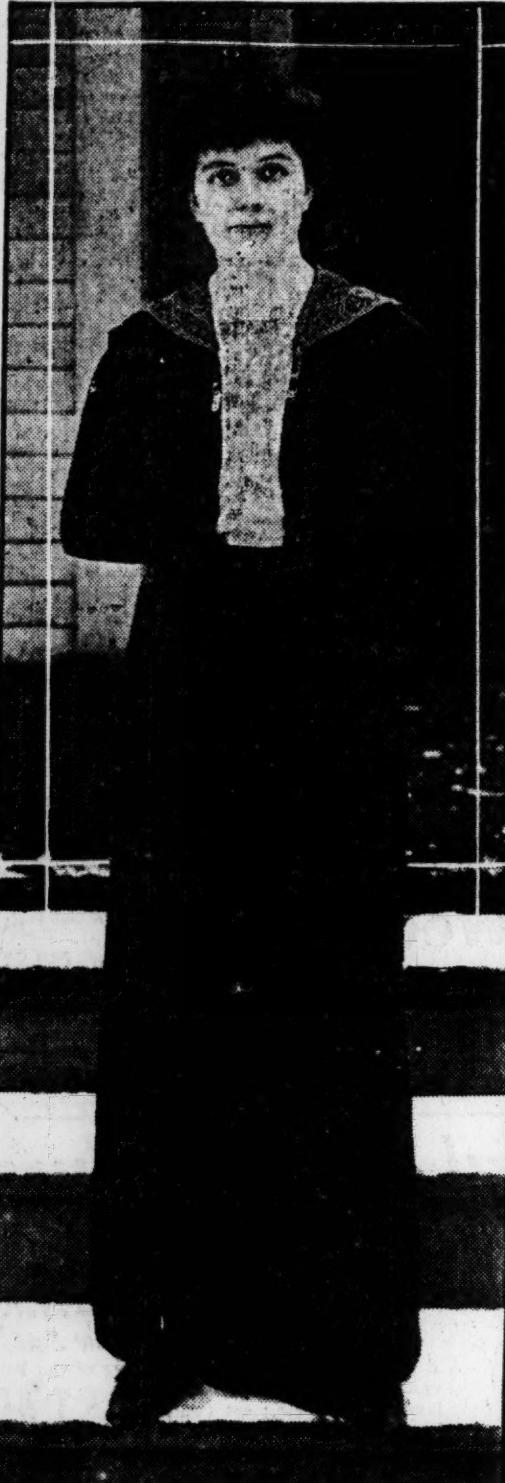
**W. S. Cowherd to Escape Operation.** KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 15.—W. S. Cowherd, former Mayor and Congressman, probably will return to Kansas City today from Rochester, Minn., where he has been advised that an operation on him will not be necessary. He probably will spend the winter in California for his health.

**President Opposes Literacy Test.** WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—President Wilson announced to callers today his opposition to the literacy test in the immigration bill pending in the Senate and said he did not believe the test "tested quality."

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## Girl of Mystery Hides Identity Under Alias

"Call Me Belva Brown," She Says, When Questioned by Kentuckians.



LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 15.—"Belva Brown," who was found wandering on the road near Anchorage, a suburb of Louisville, Nov. 23, and who has been sheltered by residents of that place ever since, continues to be "The Girl of Mystery," despite efforts to fix her identity.

All efforts to establish the identity of this young woman have failed. She either cannot or will not tell who she is nor give the names of her relatives. Every lead that has been suggested by names and addresses she has given has been followed, only to come to nothing.

When found by Magistrate Dorey, she said she had come from Chicago on the Monon train with her uncle, Charles Brown, near Anchorage. This uncle cannot be found.

A sked for her name, she says: "Oh, call me Belva Brown."

She is about 22 years old, 5 feet 4 inches tall, has a dark complexion, hair and eyes and pretty features. She weighs 124 pounds.

She is well-educated, speaks French, German and Spanish and has the manners of one accustomed to the best society. She is a fine pianist.

Her story, told piecemeal, is that her father is a broker in New York, that she has lived in an Eastern city, presumably Philadelphia. Her mother died four years ago in Hanover, where her husband, Mr. E. H. Brown, spent last summer with relatives in Salt Lake City. Afterward she visited Ogden, Butte and Omaha before going to Chicago. In Omaha she says she was with the family of J. L. Kraegel, 1080 Farnam street. He was found,

#### THE GIRL OF MYSTERY.

She gave no address in Rochester.

"Miss E. H. Brown, the police say this is mythical." She addressed a letter to Harold Brown, care Brown & Orth, brokers, New York, but this was returned undelivered. She says her father's name is Harold Brown.

## POLICE BELIEVE TRAMPS CAUSED DOWNTOWN FIRE

Theory Is They Were Trying to Keep Warm in Vacant Floor at 118 N. Third Street.

## PLAN SOUGHT TO REHIRE 500 MEN CITY DISCHARGED

City Officials to Meet Today and Hope to Arrange for the Necessary Funds.

Fire, believed by the police to have been started by tramps, damaged a three-story vacant building at 118 North Third street just before midnight last night. Owing to the cold, there was danger from fire if the fire spreading fifteen minutes were called out to guard against bursting hose and the difficulties presented by fast forming ice over ladders and stairways. The blaze was confined to the two top floors of the building. The loss was estimated at several thousand dollars.

Many reports have been received by the police of tramps attempting to make their winter home in the upper floors of vacant buildings, and it is believed in this case that the tramps may have started a fire on the floor in an effort to keep warm.

S. J. O'Loughlin, a broker with offices at 111 Merchants' Exchange Building, noticed smoke coming from the third-story windows of the vacant building at 11:30 p. m. and telephoned a fire alarm. When the first company arrived a general alarm was sounded.

The firemen found it necessary to break into the Hughes Printing Co. to reach the rear of the building to get at the blaze. While flames were showing at the upper portion of windows icicles were forming from the lower ledges and the firemen found it difficult to retain footing on the icicles.

The flames spread to the William T. Dean Stationery offices at 118 North Third street and the damage there was estimated at \$1000. Martin Breit, agent for the building in which the fire started, has made no estimate of the damage there.

Fireman Frank J. Bohnenkamp of 3633 McCreary avenue was cut on both hands by broken glass. Patrolman H. P. Connel was one of a number of men drenched when a frozen hose burst. He kept at work for more than an hour, when he became ill. He was taken to his residence, 2006 Texas avenue, where a physician stated that his condition was due to working in the cold in wet clothing.

**Former Illinois Congressman Dies.** SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 15.—Major James A. Connally, former commander of the Illinois Department G. A. R., and a former Congressman from the Twenty-first District, died here today.

#### MISS LOVE ASKS \$25,000 FOR BREACH OF PROMISE

Kansas City Department Store Clerk Files Action Against Clinton, Mo., Man.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 15.—Miss Virginia W. Love, a clerk in a department store, brought a \$25,000 breach of promise suit in the Circuit Court yesterday against John P. Adamson, a real estate dealer of Clinton, Mo. Adamson is a widower. Miss Love alleges that he proposed to her Dec. 15, 1912.

The suit was filed hurriedly, after it was learned that Adamson was in the city, so that he could be served with papers before he returned home.

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## PLANS TO WIDEN LOCUST STREET, FROM 14TH WEST

Public Service Board Would Make Change by Cutting Sidewalks From 12 to 9 Feet.

### AID TO MOTOR TRAFFIC

42-Foot Way Would Be Provided; "Y" Connections at Grand Avenue Proposed.

The Board of Public Service, seeking to make Locust street a better east-west thoroughfare for motor vehicles has decided to recommend the widening of the street between curbs by taking three feet off each sidewalk. This would increase the width of the pavement from 36 to 42 feet and shorten each sidewalk from 12 to 9 feet.

The widening would begin at Fourteenth street and continue to Thirteth Avenue (3600 west), where Locust street ends.

This can be done at a very little cost, President Kinsey of the Public Service Commission believes. Outlining the plan to the commissioners, he said the street could be widened about a year from now, when it is planned to resurface the highway. There would be no damage to abutting property. Kinsey pointed out, and the advantages of a wider street would cause most owners of abutting property to donate the three feet asked by the city, he believes.

**Provost for Wider Street.**

Owners of abutting property, in many instances, have made provision for future widening of Locust street, by constructing the sidewalk short of the curb line. In all but a few blocks on Locust street, west of Fourteenth street, the buildings set back from ten to twenty feet from the sidewalk line. However, in the center of the street, being made at the expense of the width of sidewalks, would not cause a building re-alignment.

The widening of Locust street, with the Locust street cutoff to Lindell boulevard and the proposed cutoff to Washington avenue, would make Locust street the most convenient motor traffic way to downtown.

City officials, as told last week in the Post-Dispatch, are considering abandonment of the move begun two years ago to widen Washington avenue 20 feet between Jefferson and Grand avenues, and instead, are planning to make a cutoff between Locust street and Washington avenue, similar to the Locust-Lindell cutoff.

This is being done as a measure of economy. Commissioners appraising the Washington avenue property to be condemned in the widening process have not finished their task, but Kinsey said it was evident the cost would be greater than that estimated two years ago.

"Y" at Leonard Avenue.

It is likely the city, in abandoning the proposed widening of Washington avenue, would condemn a triangular portion of the old James Campbell home at the northeast corner of Grand and Washington and which now confronts traffic in the straight path between Washington avenue, east of Grand and Washington boulevard, west of Grand.

If the substitute plan is carried through, Locust street will branch into a "T" at Leonard avenue (3300 west), directing traffic north to Washington avenue and south to Lindell avenue.

The Motor Accessory Trade Association has appointed a committee to add in the plan to widen Locust street.

**CITY MAY RUN NURSES' SCHOOL**

Counselor Also Finds Way Under New Charter to Aid Maternity Home.

City Counselor Baird today sent to Director of Public Welfare Tolkaus a report that under the new charter the city has the power to conduct a training school for nurses at the city hospital, and that it has no power to make direct appropriations to the St. Louis Maternity Home. Baird held, however, that the city can make appropriations for the care of indigent women, and in that way render assistance to the maternity home.

A training school for nurses has been conducted at the city hospital and other city institutions with private funds, the director making no provision for expenditure of money for the purpose. The new charter authorizes the city to conduct educational institutions, in which category the City Counselor places training schools for nurses.

Officers of the maternity home have for some time been endeavoring to obtain assistance from the city. Director Tolkaus was uncertain whether he could legally give aid to the home and called on the legal department for an opinion.

**POSTOFFICE ROBBER GIVES UP**

Tells Marshal He Has Spent \$400; Is Tired of Being Chased.

Carl Bronson, 34 years old, walked into the office of Chief Deputy U. S. Marshal Lynch today and said he wished to give himself up as a fugitive from justice. He said he robbed the cash drawer of the Postoffice at Mapleswood Sullivan County, N. Y., of between \$400 and \$500 in October, 1912. He said he had been employed as a clerk in the office.

"I've spent the money traveling," he said, "and I frequently have seen my photograph in postoffices with the notice that I was wanted. I'm tired of being chased."

Bronson's story was confirmed by wire and the authorities were told that papers would be sent for his return to New York.

**Barber Ends Life With Acid.** Emil Otto, 58 years old, a barber, living with his wife at 2227 Mary avenue, ended his life at 11:30 o'clock this morning by drinking carbolic acid. No cause for his act was learned by the police.

**HOUSE.** Passed a concurrent resolution for a holiday recess from Dec. 22 to Dec. 29.

The Naval Committee resumed hearings on the naval bill.

The legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill was debated upon the floor.

## PRESIDENT TELLS OF HIS ATTITUDE TOWARD NEGRO

"We Should Help Him in Every Way for His Good and Ours," Executive Says.

### CONFERS WITH EDUCATORS

Delegation Representing Southern Universities Granted Interview at White House.

By Associated Press.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 15.—Summoned to appear before the Ecclesiastical Court of the Protestant Episcopal diocese, and stand trial for alleged violation of his ordination vows and disregard the authority of Bishop Rhinelander, the Rev. Dr. George Chalmers Richmond, rector of Old St. John's Church, today assailed the church in general, which he said, had been controlled by Pierpont Morgan, and other capitalistic interests.

"The Bishop of Pennsylvania was elected by a capitalistic controlled convention. The Bishop is incompetent church in America is the most incompetent church Jesus Christ has in the world at present."

Old St. John's has a charter from the State, and is independent. It is said a large majority of the members are known because he received \$100,000 a fee from the Sugar Trust—they fixed it.

The Holy Ghost was not present.

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the question to the Attorney-General for a decision.

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Reed succeeded in postponing consideration of the appointment by the Senate on Monday by obtaining the adoption of a resolution calling for information as to how long Bland had remained in the position, on whose recommendation the appointment was made and why it was made on the eve of the convening of Congress.

Lynn's Name Rejected.

That Reed has a good chance for success in his opposition to Bland is indicated by the action of the Senate yes,

terday in rejecting the name of John D. Lynn, who was appointed United States Attorney for the western district of New York by President Wilson without consulting Senator O'Gorman.

When O'Gorman informed his colleagues that he had been ignored, the Senate immediately rejected Lynn's name. The judiciary committee had rejected him unanimously. This is an indication that Senator Reed held up to ridicule when he first entered the body continues to prevail and that the Senate intends to insist on its time-honored custom of keeping to its members the right to nominate Federal officials in their states.

It is expected that the Senate will give

the same consideration that it gave O'Gorman, and that Bland's name will be rejected. It is believed that Senator Stone also will not support Bland, the Bland family having been friendly to Gov. Folk when Folk was fighting Stone.

Reed also expects to oppose the nomination of W. N. Collins for Postmaster at Kansas City. Collins was appointed by President Wilson over the opposition of Reed, and it is known that Stone also is opposed to Collins. A close friend of Stone recently stated that Collins never had worked for the Democratic party and that he was "merely a postal clerk," and not entitled to consideration.

The appointment of Ed M. Harbor of

Trenton to be Collector of Internal Revenue at Kansas City has also been held up on a technicality, but it is not thought there will be opposition to him in the Senate. He has the endorsement of Senator Stone.

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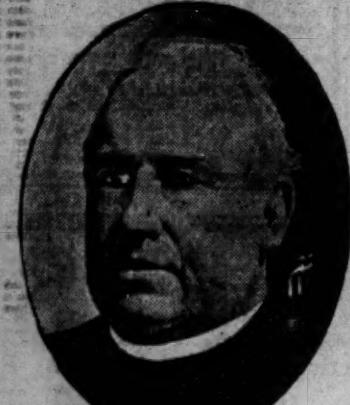
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Accidentally Shoots Wife in Foot.  
Mrs. Katherine Hill, 28 years old, accidentally shot in the right foot last night by her husband, George Hill, a butcher. He told the police he was cleaning his revolver when it was discharged.

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## GINGERBREAD MAN WINS SUCCESS AS CHRISTMAS PLAY

Musical Comedy With "Mother Goose" Atmosphere Delights Big Audience.

## PLAYGOERS' GUIDE.

Ola Skinner in "The Silent Voice of Olympia." A work of art, full of twaddle and "rot," and unworthy of star and supporting company.

"Damaged Goods" Shubert. Return engagement of Eugene Breck's drama of disease for which no claim is made that its story teaches a needed lesson.

"Mutt & Jeff" in Mexico. American. Hilarious musical comedy.

"The Gingerbread Man." Park. Successful musical comedy. Christmas pantomime. Excellent.

"The Quicksands" Shenandoah. Spanish. A whiz bang play, telling interesting story much strengthened since its opening night.

Vanderville. Columbia. Bill headed by Harry Houdini, handcuff king.

Vanderville. Grand. Bill headed by the Seven Castelluccis, musicians.

Vanderville. Hippodrome. Bill headed by the Australian Waites, in whip, hawk, boomerang and spear feature.

"The Gypsy Maids" Princess Extravaganza and vander-

"The High Rollers" Standard. Burlesque at Vanderville.

"The Gypsy Girls" Burlesque at Vanderville.

Burgess War Pictures. Garlick. Thrilling animated views of actual battlefield scenes in great world conflict.

Photoplays. New Grand Central. "More Than Queen."

Photoplays. Strand. First-run films, changing daily.

Photoplays. Junta. Interesting picture-dramas, vividly presented.

By RIPLEY D. SAUNDERS.

"THE Gingerbread Man" is so instant with the Christmas spirit that the big audience attending its opening performance at the Park Theater last night promptly fell into quite the proper Yuletide mood and enjoyed its quaint nursery-ballad reminiscences of character and incident with the keenest relish.

Old Mother Goose is essentially the sponsor of the story told by this whimsical musical comedy along the time-honored lines of Christmas pantomime, inasmuch as the famous old folk of her world largely inspired its plot, before agreeing to this beloved Old Lady of the Flying Broomstick always has been a staunch partner of Santa Claus, in their renewed alliance between the two proved finely successful.

The only correct attitude of mind in which either a play-producer, his players or the playgoing public may approach the presentation of a Christmas play is that of unconditional surrender to its naive and childlike appeal of fanciful fun and ingenuous make-believe. Stage Director Sinclair of the Park organization seems to have been equal to this demand. The members of the Park Opera Company effectively did in what is holly humor. The audience was not one whit behind either in its congenial response of timely appreciation. The first-night result, in consequence, was a very delightful evening indeed.

The honors of the performance must be widely distributed. Roger Gray, leading comedian of the Park forces, scored a distinct success in the fantastic role of King Bun. Philip Tead was grotesquely entertaining in the name part. Mata Hanley as the Fairy Queen was a veritable figure of fun from the moment of his first entrance. Tenor Carl Haydn blithely distinguished himself as Sir Silenus. The most of the story, Souvenir Louise Allen was a dear little Mary. Darr Edwards made a winsome boy as Jack Horner. Mabel Wilber sang sweetly and acted vivaciously the role of Mazie Bon-Bon. The Machiavellian Fudge of George A. Natanson's drawing developed into an effective stage picturing of mock malignancy. And so it went down the line—principals, minor players and chorus sharing equitably in the evening.

The scenic production is colorful and there are many big song-numbers of much added attractiveness. The orchestra under Max Richter's competent conductorship proved itself one of the potent factors in the success of the offering.

PROPOSE to her with a diamond ring for Christmas. Easy payments. Loftis Bros. & Co., 2d floor, 308 N. 6th st. Open evenings.

Books Increase Cash Deposits.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Cash in the vaults of the 251 national banks reporting their condition at the close of business Oct. 31, amounted to \$925,553,775, an increase over the amount on Sept. 32 of \$21,246,026.

An Ideal Gift.

A window refrigerator, \$1.50 and up, according to size; will submit sample. Call Kinloch Laclede 220L, Bell South 1764W. Home Manufacturing Co., St. Louis.

Wagon Tarpaulins Burned.  
A fire of unknown origin destroyed the tarpaulin covers of three wagons belonging to the St. Louis Transfer Co. in a lot behind the company's stables at Fourth and Spruce streets last night. No other damage was done.

Busy Bee Candies for Christmas. Quality Candies. Gifts of Good taste.

Spain to Have Men at Canal Opening.  
MADRID, via Paris, Dec. 15.—Admiral Miranda, Minister of Marine, announced that the Spanish Government will be represented at the inauguration of the Panama Canal by a delegation headed by Vice-Admiral Estrada on board the dreadnaught Espana.

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## ICELAND IN ROW WITH KING

Provincial Government Sends Resignation to Danish Monarch  
Correspondence of the Associated Press  
COPENHAGEN, Dec. 15.—A result of disagreements over the proposed new constitution for Iceland, the Provincial Government of that island has sent its resignation to the King of Denmark.

The Provincial Government declined to submit the bill for the new constitution to the King for ratification on the ground that it could not agree with the King's demand that the Danish State Council should have the right to "discuss" the affairs of Iceland.

The King thereupon refused to permit the flying of the special Iceland flag until the differences should be settled.

## SMIP! 18 YEARS' WORK GONE

"Medicine Bill" Weeps as His Hair Falls Under Prison Shears

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 15.—Years trampled down the cheeks of William Kelvin, known as the medicine faker throughout the Middle West under the name of "Medicine Bill," as his hair, falling well below his shoulders, was cropped close by direction of the superintendent of the Bertillon room in the Ohio Penitentiary today. He had been committed under the Mann act on an indeterminate sentence of from three to 30 years.

"It took me 18 years to raise that hair," said he, "and I am worrying more about its loss now than I am about my prison term."

## FRIEND OF KAISER SAYS GERMANS ARE NOT NIETZSCHEANS

Prof. von Lurcan Can't Understand American Vogue of In-sane Philosopher

BALTIMORE, Dec. 16.—"Science has been dealt a terrible blow by the present European war," said Prof. Felix von Lurcan, archiologist of the University of Berlin, who has begun a series of lectures at the Johns Hopkins, his first lecture being on "Excavations in the Hittite Capital."

The professor said that Kaiser Wilhelm knew the names of all the Hittite Kings, something of which many noted archaeologists cannot boast. The visitor related an incident of not so long ago when he met Dr. Max and Dr. Edward Meyer, the historians, were dining together and the Emperor showed unusual familiarity with the ancestry of the Hittites.

"I am sorry to note the feeling against the Germans that is manifested here in America. It is unjust and I know that for several years past there has been a movement through literature sent out from England to prejudice the world, especially America, against the German Empire."

"When I left Germany there was no thought of war. My neighbor at home was a General in the German army, and when I departed he told me he would watch out for my home and requested that I leave the key of my house with him. Two weeks later war broke out and he is now at the front leading his soldiers."

"That will give you an idea of how suddenly the catastrophe came upon my country. We knew preparations were being made by England to attack us but we thought it would not be for about five more years."

"I cannot understand why it is that here in America they talk of the Nietzsche and Schopenhauer and Bernhardi and Treitschke as if they represented what that Germany is. They do not."

"Nietzsche? The Germans do not like Nietzsche. He was insane. Why he was not even a German. I have never read a word of Nietzsche. Treitschke, I met him once. He was deaf, very deaf."

The doctor was asked if he thought it likely that this war would give Germany an impetus toward a republican form of government. With an expression of infinite amusement on his face, he answered:

"No." Then he turned interviewer.

"Where is the nearest bookstore?" he asked. "I must read something of this man Nietzsche of whom I hear so much."

**U. S. LEADS ALL NATIONS IN TRADE WITH LATIN AMERICA**

John Barrett Tells Commercial Conference Great Britain Lost Supremacy in 1913.

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—Trade of the United States in 1913 with the 20 Latin-American republics, both in sales and purchases, exceeded in volume, that of any other single country, according to John Barrett, Director-General of the Pan-American Union, in an address here today before the Latin-American Commercial Conference. It was the first year, he said, that the United States had ever exported a greater valuation of products to Latin-American countries than did the United Kingdom.

Barrett said figures showed that the 20 independent countries south of the United States conducted a foreign commerce in 1913 valued at \$2,864,876,224, of which their exports were \$1,839,123,557 and imports \$1,325,752,627. The United States led the United Kingdom, Germany and France by large margins, with exports to Latin America valued at \$325,837,345 and imports of \$477,628,600.

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**SPROUSE TRIAL SET FOR JAN. 20**

East St. Louisan Pleads Not Guilty to Murder of Wife.

William Sprouse of East St. Louis, who was arrested on a charge of murder after the body of his wife was found on Judge Moses' farm in St. Louis County six weeks ago, was arraigned in an indictment before Judge Wurdemann in the Clayton Circuit Court today.

He entered a plea of not guilty and his trial was set for Jan. 20. He is accused of killing his wife by striking her on the head with a hammer and lead knucks. The body was identified as that of Mrs. Sprouse by the clothing found on it. Her children said the clothing belonged to their mother.

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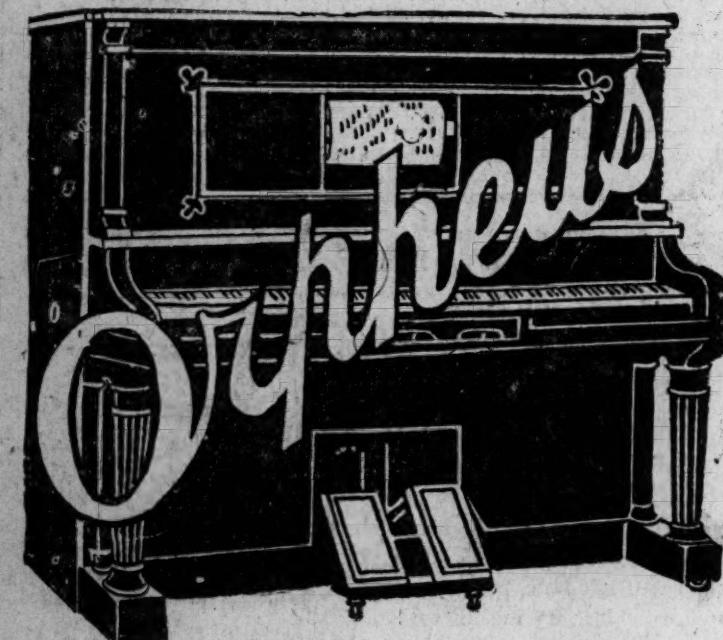
**Sewing Machine Agent Held Up.**  
Edward Ott, a sewing machine agent of 3400 Lucas avenue, when driving through Forest Park on his way to Kirkwood last night was stopped by two men on the Clayton road, east of Concourse Drive. One of them pointed a revolver at him while the other took \$3.75 from his pockets.

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**Shop Worker Dies Suddenly.**  
Val Coglin, 45 years old, a shop worker, died at 2 o'clock this morning in the rooming house of Mrs. Jessie Deere, 2645 Washington avenue. Heart disease is believed to have caused his death.

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## TRIAL OF JOHN KRATZ FOR ATTEMPTED BURGLARY RESUMED

POLITICIANS AND CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT DURING THE PROSECUTION OF JOHN KRATZ.

The trial of John Kratz, Republican politician and proprietor of the Palstaff saloon at 11 North Sixth street, charged with attempting to bribe Delegate Henry Krag to induce him to vote for a bill to increase the tax rate 10 cents, when the bill was up for passage over Mayor Kiel's veto in May, 1912.

The forenoon session was consumed in the first 12 jurors of the panel from which the jury is to be selected. Many politicians and city officials were in the courtroom.

Each juror was asked if he knew

Kratz or had ever met him at his saloon. All but one of the first 12 said they did not know Kratz. The one who knew him was excused.

Circuit Attorney Harvey and C. Orrick Blalock are in charge of the prosecution. The defendant alleges that Kratz attempted to give money to Krag to induce him to vote for a bill to increase the tax rate 10 cents.

Giovanni Scambati, Composer, Dies, Rome, Dec. 15.—Giovanni Scambati, the composer, died last night. He was born at Rome in 1843 and was considered one of the most notable of modern Italian musicians.

## INCREASED FREIGHT RATE ON MEAT IS SUSPENDED

CHANGE WHICH INCLUDED LIVESTOCK SHIPMENTS WOULD HAVE COST CONSUMERS \$20,000,000.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The Interstate Commerce Commission has suspended until April 15, 1915, all increases in proposed rates on livestock, dressed meats and packing house products, filed by railroads operating between Chicago, St. Louis and the East, which would have become effective tomorrow.

The increased rates, in the operation of the livestock association of the cities named, would have increased their

freight bills by \$20,000,000 and resulted in increased prices for the commodities named to the consumers.

The commission feels that such increases are not justified at present, and has withheld its decision pending an investigation to determine the reasonableness of such increased rates upon the commodities which have to do with the high cost of living.

Woman Tried to End Life.

Mrs. Hazel Weston, 18 years old, of 312 Bell avenue was taken to the city hospital last night suffering from mercuro poisoning. She had been ill health. Her husband, Clyde Weston, is proprietor of a moving picture theater in East St. Louis.

Louisiana Mob Inquiry Ordered. BATON ROUGE, La., Dec. 15.—The state legislature yesterday directed the Attorney-General of the State to start an immediate investigation of recent lynchings in the state. Five negroes recently were executed by mobs within 10 days. Three were lynched last Friday.

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St. P. I. P. H. Horse and Truck Wagon, 1.48	Our \$1.88 Dolls, 69c, 79c, 89c	St. Large Doll Bed with springs; extra size, 25c, 49c, 59c
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## GERMANS DEMAND \$70,000,000 FROM BELGIANS AT ONCE

Kaiser Tells New Governor to Exert Himself to Get the Weak on Their Feet.

PARIS, Dec. 15.—A dispatch from Paris to the Matrix says:

"According to the news which has reached the Belgian Government, the German Governor-General of the occu-

pied territory in Belgium has ordered the provincial Councils to meet Thursday to take the necessary measures for the payment of the war tax of \$30,000,000 francs (\$70,000,000)."

HAMBURG, via London, Dec. 15.—Gen. von Bissing, the newly appointed Governor-General of Belgium, in interview, said his appointment meant no change in the policy of the Germans, as the measures taken by his predecessor were practical and business-like.

He said he wished the Belgians to know that he was a just enemy and that his aim was to maintain peace and order in the land which had become the base of the operations of the German troops, so that the army would be able to devote itself to work.

The General added that he hoped to succeed with his mild policy, but that he would apply stern measures if they became necessary. He said he always

had been interested in economic problems and hoped, in co-operation with the civil administration, to be able to do much to improve the Belgian situation.

In conclusion, Gen. von Bissing said

Emperor William had impressed upon him the necessity of doing everything possible to get the weak on their feet again in Belgium.

**Doctors and Drugists Unite to Aid Their Belgian Colleagues.**

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—An arrangement has been completed for the formation of an organization of physicians, surgeons and pharmacists of the United States to relieve the 300 Belgians of those professions. The organization will act nationally to provide food, clothing and medicines for the Belgians. The idea resulted from the formation of a similar body in England. Dr. Frank F. Simpson of Pittsburgh is treasurer of the new organization.

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## Representatives of Four Generations at a Dinner



MRS. JOHN A. THOSE.  
MRS. EMIL A. HARTSTACK.

Four generations of her family were represented at a celebration of the fortieth birthday of Mrs. Joseph A. Hunkeler, 261 Hulskant avenue, Dr. E. Murrell of Kirkwood, was made at a home party given Saturday night by Miss Flinlay.

The wedding will probably be in the late spring. Those present were: Misses Laura Gore, Gladys Murrell, Nellie Flinlay, Ruth Flinlay, Marie Brooks, Mable Sutter and Ella McCrede.

Mrs. Sarah Rubelmann of 41 Lewis place will depart after Christmas for Eureka Springs, Ark., to stay until spring.

Miss Dorcas Carleton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Murray Carleton of 4511 Lindell boulevard, will depart the last of the month for Kansas City to visit Miss Elizabeth Barton.

Misses Marie and Jane Wight, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Irvin E. Wight of Brentmoor Park, will arrive Saturday from Miss Wright's school at Bryn Mawr.

Thursday afternoon little Miss Alice Mizner, the infant daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Henry W. Mizner, was christened at St. Stephen's Mission, 520 Rutgers street.

Mrs. William Christy Bryan and Mrs. Harry J. Jamison were the godparents. The child was named for Mrs. Mizner's mother, Mrs. Postlewaite, who has been dead many years.

Only a few relatives and friends were present and Mr. Mizner himself officiated.

Who Is the Best Dancer in St. Louis?

The Friday Dancing Club of Kirkwood has announced its second ball of the winter for New Year's evening at the Kirkwood Country Club. The hostesses for the affair will be Misses C. Perley Hutchinson, Horace W. Beck, George L. Edwards, Theodore B. Entz, Richard J. Harvey, Stratford Lee, Morris George R. Robinson, Claire W. Shands, Robert T. Deacon and Francis B. Weddock.

The arrangements are in charge of a committee including Messrs. Walter R. Skinner, Laurence G. Miller, Norman H. MacMillan, John C. Wilkinson, Guy H. Kinnear, F. Maury Jones, Julian C. Harvey, Theodore B. Entz, Richard J. Compton Jr., John K. Broderick and Davis Biggs.

Misses Loraine Sickel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William G. Sickel of New York, will arrive in the last of the week from Miss Wright's school at Bryn Mawr to spend Christmas with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. James Henry Allen of 500 Lindell boulevard.

Mrs. Sickel, who was formerly Miss Ruby Allen, has come here with her other children, John Allen and Ruby Sickel, to preside in her father's house while her mother is in Mercedes, Tex.

Miss Sickel will come on for the holidays and Mrs. Allen will depart for the South directly afterward.

Misses Julian and Nancy Bates, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Bates of 425 Westminster place, gave a luncheon at the Woman's Club.

The guests numbered 40 girls, who included the debutantes of this winter and some from last season. Miss Nancy is making her boy this winter and Miss Julia was introduced last.

The decorations were all in red roses and the details were carried out in red.

Who Is the Best Dancer in St. Louis?

Miss Emma Webster Powell of 4023 Washington boulevard, State president of the United States Daughters of 1812, will entertain that society on Thursday. Miss Powell will be assisted by the 10 Real Daughters of the society, who reside in St. Louis.

Miss Marybelle Woodruff of Winnipeg, Canada, wife of Webster Groves, is here for the holidays and is the guest of Mrs. C. O. Hodgeson of 3427 Sidney street, and will visit her sister.

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### \$45 French Coney Coats, \$18.75

GREATEST bargain of the season—actual \$45 French Coney Coats, in both three-quarter and full lengths, each one lined with Skinner guaranteed satin. Only 28 to be sold at this record price.

### Hudson Seal Coats, \$59.50

IT is extremely doubtful if you have ever been offered a splendid, stylish Coat at such low prices before, and the Coats themselves are extremely elegant and desirable in every way.

Hudson Seal Coats, from.....\$69.50 to \$135.00

PonySkin Coats, with collars of genuine fitch and raccoon.....\$29.75

PonySkin Coats, new short effects.....\$24.75

Carcass Coats, both short and long models.....\$59.50 to \$97.50

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### Fur

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Black Fox.....\$15 and \$19.75	Scarfs.....\$19.75 and \$24.75
Blended Mink.....\$7.95, \$10 and \$15	Scarfs.....\$10, \$12.95, \$15
Marten.....\$19.75 to \$29.75	Scarfs.....\$19.75, \$35 to \$45
Black and Kit Coney.....\$5 to \$7.50	Scarfs.....\$5, \$7.50 and \$10
Civet Cat.....\$5, \$10 and \$15	Scarfs.....\$15, \$20 and \$25
Black Wolf.....\$10 and \$15	Scarfs.....\$10, \$15, \$19.75
Genuine Mole.....\$10 and \$15	Scarfs.....\$20, \$25 to \$35
Hudson Seal.....\$15 to \$19.75	Scarfs.....\$19.75 to \$24.75
White Iceland Fox.....\$4 to \$10	Scarfs.....\$5, \$10, \$15
Natural Raccoon.....\$15 and \$19.75	Scarfs.....\$20 to \$29.75

Red Fox Sets.....\$19.75	Sitka Fox Sets.....\$35.00
Black Fox Sets.....\$35.00	Fox-Wolf Sets.....\$55.00
Genuine Mole Sets.....\$35.00	Eastern Mink Sets.....\$65.00

### \$25 Seal Plush Coats, \$15

SURPRISING values Wednesday in Seal Plush Coats, in the new belted styles, with rich trimmings of Skunk-Opossum—also many Fur Collar Coats of Broadcloth, Ural Lamb, Matte Lamb—and a wide variety of Novelty Effects.

### \$65 to \$95 Finest Coats, \$35

OUR complete stock of high-class Coats and Wraps up to \$95 offered without reservation at this give-away price. Stuning styles of Chiffon Velvet, Silk Plush, Silk Velour—handsome Evening Wraps in Black and High Shades. A saving opportunity that should be welcomed.

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EXTREMELY modish and comfortable new Coats of Genuine Ural Lamb—also delightful effects in Flare Belted Models of Corduroy, Matte Lamb, Zibeline, Broadcloth and Novelty Fabrics.

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Every \$1.00 White Cotton Waist, special.....49c
Every \$1.95 White Cotton Waist, special.....98c
Every \$1.95 Silk Petticoat, special.....\$1.50
Every \$2.95 Silk Petticoat, special.....\$2.25
Every \$2.95 and \$3.95 Dress Skirt, special.....\$1.65
Every \$10 to \$12.50 Dress of Serge, Velvet and Serge, and Satin and Serge, special at.....\$3.95
(These articles will prove most acceptable Christmas Gifts)
\$15, \$19.75 to \$25 Silk Dresses—
\$15 Velvet Dresses—
\$15 to \$19.75 Evening and Party Dresses—
In one large bargain assortment.....\$6.95

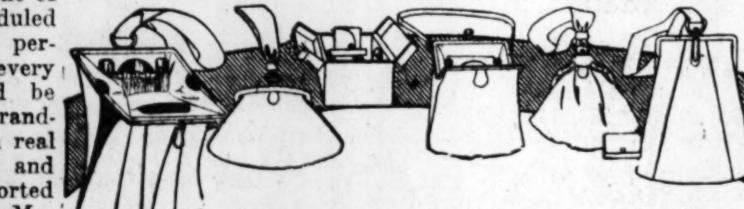
### New Fur-Trimmed Suits

BEAUTIFUL new styles of Velvet, Covert Cloth, Broadcloth, Cheviot and Corduroy—worth from \$25 to \$55 if actual value were asked—on special sale in three lots—

**\$15      \$19.75      \$24.75**

### Fine Leather Hand Bags and Party Cases

THE banner saving event of the season is scheduled for Wednesday. Every personal need, as well as every gift requirement, should be supplied. More than 1000 brand-new, exclusive styles in real Leather Novelty Bags and Party Cases, both imported and domestic, of genuine Morocco, pig lamb, goat head and even real seal—some silk lined, others lined with leather—some with German silver frames, others with leather covered or plated frames—every bag fitted with from 5 to 7 pieces—values up to \$4.



**98c, \$1.50 & \$1.98**

### Flower Sale

WONDERFUL values in good size Silk and Muslin Roses, with bud and foliage—all colors—offered Wednesday at.....**25c**

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**MAN FINED FOR HUGGING GIRL**

Judge Then Forcés Him Out of Consideration for His Family.

Albert Williams, 35 years old, of 201 North Broadway, who has a wife and a 2-year-old daughter, was fined \$25 in City Court No. 2 today for hugging Miss Lenz Ames, 22, of 31 Chambers street.

Miss Ames is the daughter of Benja- mien Ames, a coal dealer. She testified that Williams had threatened her last night to pay a coal bill. She answered the doorbell. "I told him papa wasn't home," she said on the witness stand, "and then he put his arms around me and hugged me. He didn't pay the coal bill, either."

Williams testified that he couldn't remember anything that happened when he went to the Ames home. After assessing the fine, Judge Sanders paroled Williams, out of consideration for his wife and child, who were in the courtroom.

**\$6—TOLEDO & RETURN—\$6**

Via Clover Leaf Route, Dec. 18. Ticket office, 211 North Eighth street.

**ATLANTA LAWYER KILLED IN PISTOL BATTLE WITH THIEF**

He Fires Four Times in Struggle in His Home Before Intruder Gives Fatal Wound.

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 15.—Charles B. Reynolds, a lawyer, was shot and almost instantly killed early today in a revolver battle with a burglar in his home here.

Reynolds fired four times before he was killed. The burglar escaped.

Negroes Rob Grocer \$2.

A boy 13 years old went to the grocery at 2010 Bellamy about yesterday afternoon and stole the cash. Miss Mary Smith, for a dime's worth of coal oil. While she was in the yard filling his can, he stole \$40 from the cash register and fled.

**Boy Steals \$40 From Grocery.**

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**SLEEP-WALKER OUT IN COLD**

Zero Weather Does Not Stop Adventures of Mrs. Tillie Schmauer.

Zero weather did not stop Mrs. Tillie Schmauer's sleep-walking, and at 1:30 a. m. today, when the temperature was but 6 above zero, policemen saw her walking on Grand avenue near Pinney, just as they have often seen her in milder weather. She wore a silk kimono and a pair of slippers and walked with eyes closed and arms extended.

Mrs. Schmauer is 26 years old and made more than 40 trips walking alone, some of them for a mile, but the police did not expect to see her in such cold weather. An auto-ambulance was called and she was taken to the hospital, where she was found to be suffering from exposure and hysteria. She was later sent home.

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All contributions will be acknowledged in the columns of the Post-Dispatch.

**BEGGAR STRIKES A WOMAN**

Mrs. Elizabeth Eschmann of 3345 California avenue was asked for money by a man who called at her front door at 11 o'clock this morning. When she refused to give money to him, she informed the police, he struck her over the head with a revolver, dragged her through the house and threw her into the cellar. He then escaped.

The man was described as being about 30 years old, tall and with no front teeth. He wore a long light gray overcoat.

**Santa Claus** has declared his intention of giving sensible serviceable Christmas gifts this year. This fact is proven by the enthusiastic buying of the great crowds who are daily attending this less than  $\frac{1}{2}$  price clothing sale. It's a drastic clean-up—all goods must be rushed out before we close our books for inventory January 2, 1915. Come here tomorrow and secure two garments for less than the price of one, or one garment at a saving of more than  $\frac{1}{2}$ .

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**\$18.00 SUITS \$8.50**

and

**\$20.00 for Men & Young Men \$8**

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**\$22.50 SUITS \$10.50**

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At  $\frac{1}{2}$  Price and Less

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For Men, Women and Children

Men's Everett Slippers, made with cushion insole—on sale in the Slipper Bazaar at per pair..... **79c**



Men's Everett Slippers of fine leather—exceptionally good qualities—on sale Wednesday at per pair..... **98c**



Men's Everett and Opera Slippers—black and tan—excellent qualities—on sale at per pair..... **98c**



Men's Romeo Slippers—black tan, fine kid-skins—on sale Wednesday, pair..... **\$1.33**



Boys' Slippers—just like daddy's—fine kidskin—hand-turned—per pair..... **\$1.65**



Women's Crochet Slippers—All colors—per pair..... **49c**



Children's Crochet Slippers—per pair..... **45c**



Children's Comfy Slippers—fancy designs—per pair..... **98c**



Women's Felt Slippers—soft soles—finished with collar—ribbon trimming and ribbon bow—per pair..... **98c**



Women's Felt Slippers in gray, brown and wine colors—soft wool insole—finished with silk rompons—per pair..... **69c**



Women's Felt Juliets—turn soles—leather heels—pretty finished—various colors—on sale at, per pair..... **98c**



Children's Felt Booties—warm and comfortable—per pair..... **98c**



Women's Felt Juliets—various colors—trimmed with fur—leather sole and solid leather heel—per pair..... **98c**



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## DOCTOR ORDERED FROM NAVY BALL IS SUED BY WIFE

Nurse Named in Action Against Dr. Crowles Who Figured in Boston Affair.

COURTMARTIALS RESULTED

Row at Dance in 1909 Said to Have Started by Man's At-tentions to Girl.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

PORSCHEMOUTH, N. H., Dec. 15.—Dr. Edward S. Cowles, who formerly lived in Boston and now conducts a sanatorium here and came into notoriety because of a navy yard dance in 1909, was sued for divorce yesterday by his wife, Florence J. Cowles. In her suit Mrs. Cowles names a nurse employed at the sanatorium and women in Boston and Portland. She also charges her husband with using profane and abusive language and conduct injurious to her health, and says he made her live and associate with lunatics. She is the daughter of Harry J. Jaquith, a Brookline (Mass.) lawyer.

Dr. Cowles was the central figure in a sensational affair at a Boston navy yard dance which resulted in the court-martial of Assistant Surgeon A. H. Robnett and Paymaster George P. Auld of the United States Navy.

Ernest L. Gipps, counsel for Mrs. Cowles, is authority for the statement that the trial will develop sensational testimony.

Dr. Edward S. Cowles and his wife were the central figures in a row that split the Boston navy yard in December, 1909.

The trouble occurred at a dance given at the home of Medical Director Howard E. Ames at the yard, and just what caused it has never been thoroughly explained, although the taking of a young woman's picture by Dr. Cowles seems to have been one of the chief causes. While on the floor of the ballroom after the first dance, Paymaster George P. Auld approached Dr. Cowles and told him to leave the house and never appear there again.

Later, when he was leaving, Dr. Cowles was seized by Auld and fell, against a door. The doctor insisted that Auld hit him.

Girl Figured in Affair.

The next day Assistant Surgeon Amey H. Robnett called upon Dr. Cowles, according to Dr. Ames' report to the Navy Department, and threatened him. Surgeon Robnett and Paymaster Auld were court-martialed.

The "tempest in a teapot," as it was characterized by one connected with the case, centered about Dr. Cowles' attentions to Miss Dorothy Hesler, 18, the daughter of a naval surgeon.

As a result of the court-martial both officers were sentenced by the court to a loss of five numbers. The fine was remitted by Assistant Secretary of the Navy Vinton in the case of Paymaster Auld, and Surgeon Robnett's loss was reduced to two numbers.

Miss Madeline Swift, daughter of Rear Admiral William Swift, broke her engagement to Harry Duer Storer of Atlanta, Ga., and after the trial married Paymaster Auld. Miss Hesler, it was said, was engaged to marry Dr. Robnett.

### 7 DEAD, 3 MISSING IN GAS EXPLOSION IN CLEVELAND

Nine Others Injured When Apartment Building Is Wrecked—Five in One Family Killed.

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 15.—Policemen and firemen today were searching the ruins of a two-story brick apartment house in Madison avenue, wrecked last night by a gas explosion, for the bodies of three persons supposed to be buried in the debris.

Seven dead have been recovered, five being members of one family, and nine persons who were more or less injured are in hospitals. Physicians said that the injured probably will recover.

Windows for a block around the apartment building were broken. The exact cause of the explosion has not been ascertained. The walls of the building were blown out and the wreckage caught fire.

### GIFTS TO BE SOUGHT BY PHONE

Supplies for Missouri Ship for Europe to Be Solicited Saturday.

Telephone solicitation will be used, both in St. Louis and in rural Missouri, to obtain the supplies needed by the Missouri Charity Day Committee for filling the ship which this State is to send for the relief of the destitute in the European war zone. The chief calling-up of business men and farmers for the purpose of asking gifts will take place next Saturday.

Gov. Major will meet the committee at the Plaza Hotel Wednesday at 3 p. m. to decide on details of the campaign. Four hundred Missouri towns have promised to make contributions. Tag-day methods will be adopted in Fayette and Moberly. It has been learned.

Plows special, 2 lbs. fine candy, \$1. Candies, 1 lb. pound up. \$1. Olive.

Wagonload of Groceries Stolen. A wagon load of merchandise belonging to Ell Kahan, grocer, at 1818 Blidie street, disappeared from in front of 3233 Magazine street last night, and an hour later the horse and wagon were found at Twenty-third street and Cass avenue. The groceries were missing.

CORA: Let's get married and go home Christmas. I'll set the diamond ring from Lotte's, 22 floor, 308 N. 6th st.

Famous London Bookseller Dies. LONDON, Dec. 15.—Bertram Dobell, the most famous of London's second-hand book sellers and an author of talent, died yesterday.

TUESDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 15, 1912.

Christmas Candy, 3 lbs. in Holly Box for \$1

Christmas Fruit Cake, 3 lbs. for \$1

Red Cross Seal—All Exchange Decks

ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH

## Famous-Barn Co.

ENTIRE BLOCK: OLIVE, LOCUST, SIXTH AND SEVENTH STS.

Largest Distributors of Merchandise at Retail in St. Louis or the West.

We Give Eagle Stamps & Redems Full Books for \$2

In Cash or Credit in Merchandise—Few Re-

stricted Article Are Excepted.

### Leave Your Wraps In Our Custody

While shopping, you'll find it much easier to shop unhampered with outer wraps. Special check room where they're hung and folded. Also leave parcels at FREE check room.

Main Floor Gallery

### Why Not a Box of Everwear Hosiery

For Men, Women & Children

They are the satisfactory hose. Six pairs are guaranteed to give 6 months' satisfactory wear. Everwear Hosiery to be had in St. Louis only at this store. Box of 6 pairs at \$1.50 to \$3.

Second Floor

### Men's Hosiery Packed in Holiday Boxes

Black & colors, assorted in a box, regular \$1.40 box, of 6 pairs, special, \$8c.

Men's Fiber Silk Socks, 4 pairs in a holiday box, for 95c.

Men's Novelty Silk Hose, 3 pair in a holiday box, \$1.35.

Men's Silk Hose, with silk clocking, 3 pairs in a holiday box, \$1.75.

Main Floor

### Silver Casseroles, 1/3 Less

Heavy quadruple silver-plated casseroles purchased at a

price advantage from a leading silversmith. Octagon or ob-

long shapes, with holder in pierced design & handles as

shown in illustration, being fitted with Guernsey

fillers.

2-pt. \$3.50 value, \$2.49

3-pt. \$5.00 value, \$3.98

\$5 Baking Dishes, \$3.29

Large size quadruple silver plated Baking Dishes in burnished & engraved design, just 125 in this lot to sell at this figure.

Main Floor, Aisle 5

### \$1, \$1.25 & \$1.50 Dress Goods, 75c

A great lot of about 2000 yards, 50, 52 & 54 inch all-wool black & colored suiting, in various weaves, at a fourth to a half saving.

\$1 Corduroys, 75c

Very fine imported soft, 44-inch Black Chiffon Taffeta.

\$2 Black Broadcloth, \$1.48

Very fine, light weight, Black Chiffon Broadcloth.

\$3.50 Black Caracul, \$2.85

Rich, imitation fur, 50-inch Black Caracul Coatings.

\$1.75 Black Crepe Meteor.

at \$1.19 Stylish 40-inch extra heavy Black Crepe Meteor.

\$2.25 Black Poplin, \$1.75

Stylish all-silk soft satin faced 40-inch Black Poplin.

Main Floor, Aisle 1

165 best quality Bath Robe Blankets & Comfortables—extra size—worth from \$3.50

to \$4—Wednesday..... \$1.75

Fourth Floor

### 500 Bath Robe Blankets at Half Under Worth

Entire surplus stock of a manufacturer, bought at a third to a half less than original worth, here for dispersal at equal savings.

135 good size Bath Robe Blankets—all new, desirable

patterns, with cords & tassels to match—\$2.25 to

\$2.50 value—each..... \$1.39

200 superior Bath Robe

Blankets & Comfortables—

extra size—worth from \$3.50

to \$4—Wednesday..... \$1.75

Fourth Floor

### Santa Claus Has Declared This Store Headquarters for TOYS & DOLLS

More complete lines than offered elsewhere. Very important underpricing for Wednesday.

\$1.95 Teddy Bears, \$1.

Fine quality, full 24-inch brown Teddy Bears; voice & glass eyes.

\$1.50 Jointed Dolls, \$1.

Large size F. & B. special full

ball jointed with fine quality sewed wig, moving eyes with lashes.

Boys' \$7.45 large size Rubber-Tired Autos..... \$6.50

\$2.25 Large size fine quality easel Blackboards..... \$1.90

\$7.50 "Speedway Racer" Handcar, racing model..... \$6.45

\$4.75 Archery Combination Game Board..... \$4.75

\$4.25 Plush Rocking Horses, on platform..... \$3.25

\$2.75 Full-size sidewalk Sulkies, rubber tires..... \$1.98

\$2.95 fine quality Shoe-Fly Rocking Horses..... \$1.95</p

December Opportunities:  
Last week's Post-Dispatch Wants 11,029  
Globe-Democrat, Republic and Times COMBINED... 11,016  
Post-Dispatch Wants Bring RESULTS!

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ST. LOUIS, TUESDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 15, 1914.—PART TWO.

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Get Extra Christmas Money!

Post-Dispatch FOR SALE Wants find buyers.  
Count last week:  
Post-Dispatch... 1297  
The FOUR others combined... 716

## Xmas Tokens

From Our Immense Stock

**Do Not End December 25th**

But Give Delight and Satisfaction  
Throughout the Years to Come.

### Scarf Pins for Him

Dainty, hand-wrought platinum design, Oriental sapphire and 4 white diamonds... \$70.00

Effective design in platinum. Delicate pink coral cameo and 4 brilliant diamonds... \$32.00

Distinctive design of platinum with fine coral cameo and 4 brilliant diamonds... \$50.00

A very beautiful pin, set with rich pearl of garnet and 4 sparkling diamonds... \$100

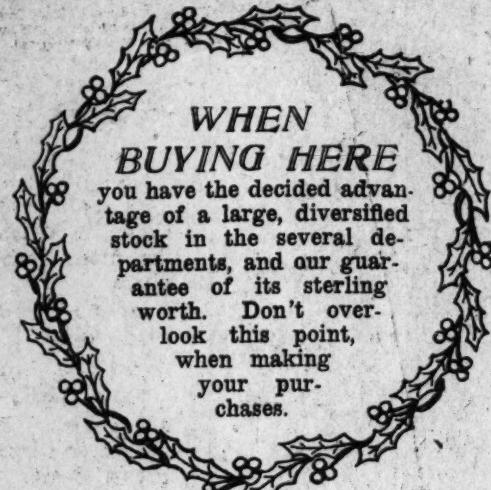
One of our very recent creations of fine platinum work, containing beautiful sapphires and 4 white diamonds, priced at... \$54.00

Exclusive conceit of platinum with 5 Oriental sapphires and 16 white diamonds... \$200

Beautifully wrought of fine platinum, and set with two diamonds and an Oriental sapphire. A pin that will be much admired, and a splendid value at... \$60.00

We have specialized in Jewelry for 30 odd years. Make your selections from our large, unbroken lines of advanced styles.

We sell only the best.



WHEN BUYING HERE  
you have the decided advantage of a large, diversified stock in the several departments, and our guarantee of its sterling worth. Don't overlook this point, when making your purchases.

## HOBOS FAIL IN EFFORT TO TAKE SOUP BY STORM

How and Followers Demand Service, but Are Driven From Kitchen.

OTHERS IN LINE 2 HOURS

3000 Bowls Given Away Yesterday and 1007 Men Spend Night at Lodging House.

James Eads How and about 200 of his followers marched from the municipal lodging house into the free soup kitchen last night and demanded immediate service. Soup kitchen officials pointed to a long line of men, some of whom had waited two hours for their turn. How's men were ordered to get in the line, but How took them back into the lodging house, reappearing in a few minutes in another effort to be served without having to wait.

The hobos were quickly routed this time by cries of "Throw them out" and "Let How feed his own men." About 3000 bowls of soup were given away.

The Public Welfare Department, which last night took charge of the Municipal Lodging House, had 1007 guests. All were in the building by 9 p.m., which has been designated as the closing hour. Director of Public Welfare Tolkaacz expects to have overalls and jumpers ready tonight for his lodgers. They will be used as pajamas. Lodgers will be required to bathe before donning the "pajamas," their clothing will be sterilized and they will be subjected to medical inspection.

The Municipal Lodging House had been operated a month this year under the Police Department's direction, while waiting for the appropriation for its maintenance to become effective.

East St. Louis may have two free soup kitchens as a result of Mayor Chaperlin and other officials visiting the St. Louis soup kitchen. One probably will be established in the police station there, and former Mayor M. M. Stevens has offered the use of a building at 218 Missouri avenue for the other. John Doshoff is chairman of a committee to formulate plans for the East Side soup houses.

It is planned to ask 150 persons to contribute \$2 each every month for the maintenance of the East Side Kitchen. Butchers and grocers have offered to contribute scrap meat and vegetables for the soup if a committee will collect them. More than 100 men usually sleep in the furnace room of the police station each night, and food is given for them occasionally by charitable persons.

Starr & Reed, Philadelphia, Awarded Contract.

The contract for supplying the Gridiron Club Dinner with cigarettes at Washington, Saturday, Dec. 12, was given to Starr & Reed, Philadelphia.

### SON OF RICH MAN RETURNS TO FIND FAMILY DESTITUTE

Wife of J. Allen Ware Jr. Had Asked Police to Search for Her Husband.

J. Allen Ware Jr., son of a wealthy St. Louis County contractor, returned to his home at 1729 Chouteau avenue last night, a few hours after his wife, Ethel, had asked the police to find him. She said she and her 5-year-old daughter were destitute. The girl was taken to the city hospital yesterday, suffering from pneumonia. Ware said he had been out of town looking for work.

Mrs. Ware in November, 1913, had her husband arrested after she learned he had taken out a license to marry another woman. He was released when he said he did not mean to commit bigamy, but took out the license to "bluff"; his wife into returning to him. Ware's father, J. Allen Ware, is the owner of the Woodlands stock farm, near Bridgeport, formerly owned by Barney Schreiber. When Ware bought the farm, in 1911, it was said he paid \$150,000 for it.

Stove, Range and Furnace Repairs. A. G. Brauer Supply Co., 316 N. 3d st.

### CLUB TREASURER SOUGHT

Cavaleria Dancers Ask Police to Find Miss Blanche Bernero.

The Cavaleria Club, a dancing organization, with 12 young women members, has asked the police to look for its treasurer, Miss Blanche Bernero, whose address on the club's roster was 4750 Cotage avenue.

Miss Mamie Cafferata of 323 Lucas avenue and Miss Leota du Plessis of 4115 Cook avenue, president and secretary of the club, yesterday told Chief Allender that Miss Bernero had \$102.10 of the club's money and they had been unable to find her since Dec. 1, though they visited the Cottage avenue residence where she was supposed to live.

Ever Suck an Orange or Lemon through Stick Candy? It is a treat for grownups as well as children. Oakes' all-sugar stick, 2c round.

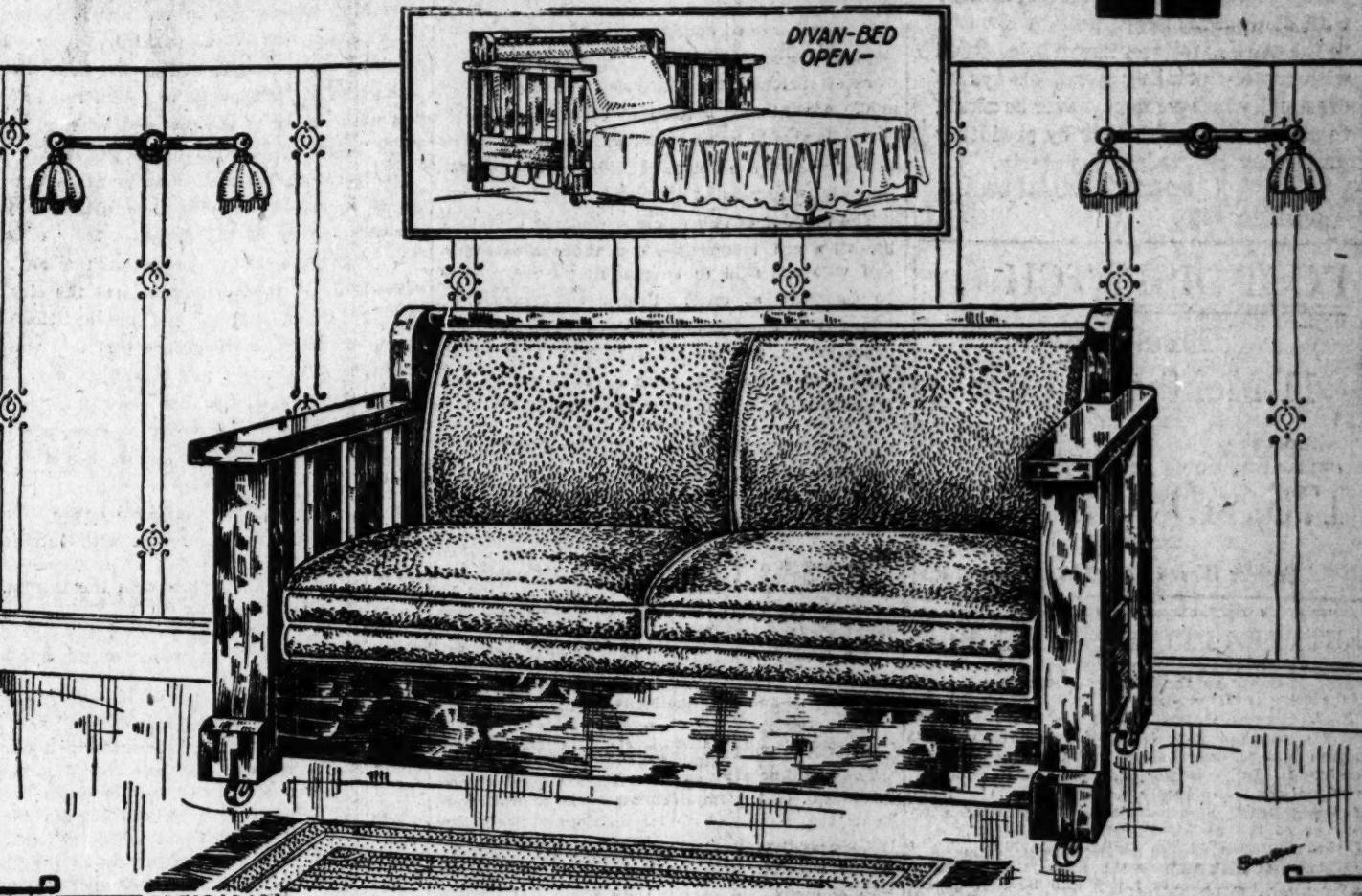
Died in a Police Cell.

A man who said he was Bert A. Guilli, 22 years old, a navy deserter, fell dead in a cell at Central Police Station last night. City hospital doctors found he had been subject to epilepsy. He surrendered at Central Station Sunday and said he wanted to be taken back to his post at Annapolis, Md.

Busy Bee Candies for Christmas, in Beautiful boxes. Gifts that char-

## New "Divan-Bed" Davenport

The Biggest Hit of the Entire Season!  
**TERMS—\$1.50 CASH—\$1.50 A MONTH \$22.50**



A Christmas Suggestion of the Most Practical Sort

### Handsome in Appearance

### The Upholstering

### Has Regular Bed Springs

This splendid piece of furniture is different from anything you have heretofore seen in this line; it is a neat and attractive Settee for the Parlor, Library or Sitting Room, occupying less space than the old style Davenport—and is more convenient in every way.

### The Construction

A glance at the picture will impress you with the beauty and dignity of this Divan-Bed Davenport—the frames are of solid oak in Colonial design, with broad arms and heavy posts—and the internal construction is of the same high standard.

### Presto—and It's a Bed

This Divan-Bed Davenport is made on a new principle—the springs, etc., and bedding are under the seat and come into position when the seat is turned, so you do not sleep on the upholstering as in the case with other bed-daventors you have seen.

### Our Price—\$22.50

We offer this handsome Divan-Bed Davenport—including the springs (without the mattress) for \$22.50—an amount that we know has no equal anywhere in St. Louis, and at terms that are pleasing—only \$1.50 cash and \$1.50 a month.

**MAY, STERN & CO.**

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to everyone

All Goods marked  
in plain figures

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## Swope Slippers as Gifts

Are both useful and attractive—especially this year. They are such intimate remembrances for members of the family or dear friends—we have all styles here at very moderate prices.

The upper slipper shown is a Women's Felt Bedroom style of soft, warm felt all colors.... \$1.50

The lower slipper is a Woman's Boudoir model of Rajah Silk—pink, blue and other dainty shades.... \$1.25

Other equally attractive slippers are priced upward from 75c: Dancing Slippers up from \$1: Carriage Boots..... \$5

### Swope Hosiery

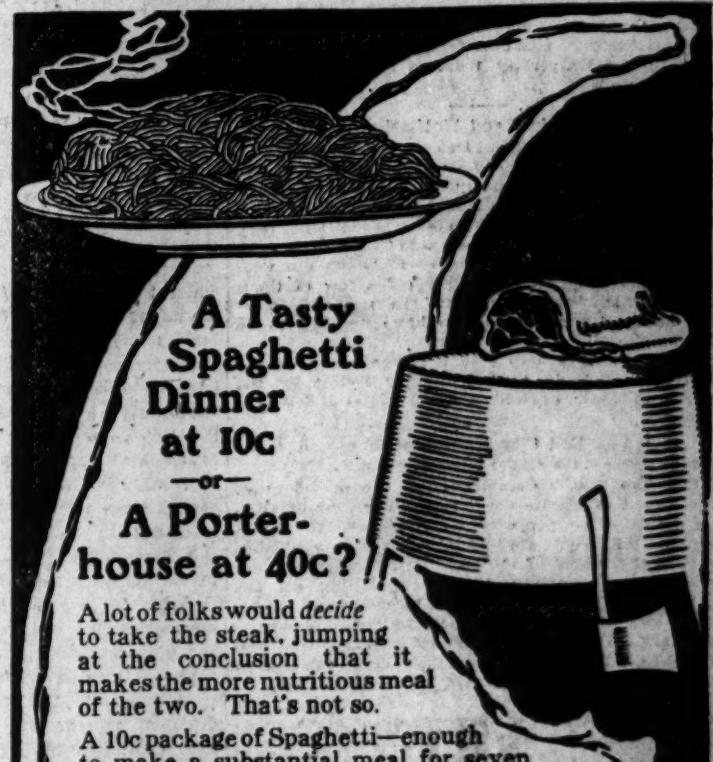
is a practical gift. Take this hint, for instance. Women's \$1.50 Black Silk Stockings, \$1.20; 3 pairs in Christmas box for..... \$3.25

### Leather Goods

Innumerable dainty novelties are shown here at a wide range of prices, with especially good values from \$1 to \$5.

Attractive Slipper Gifts for Men.

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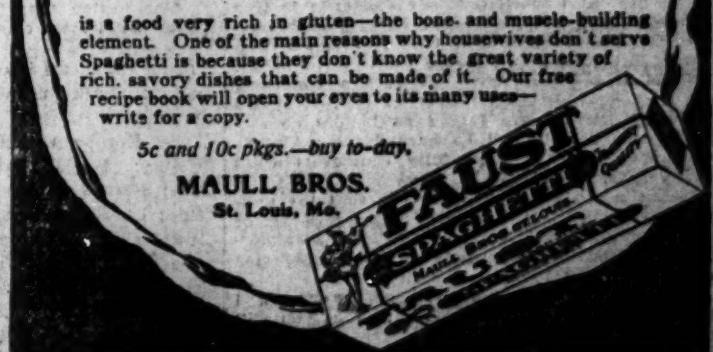


A Tasty  
Spaghetti  
Dinner  
at 10c  
—  
A Porter-  
house at 40c?

A lot of folks would decide to take the steak, jumping at the conclusion that it makes the more nutritious meal of the two. That's not so.

A 10c package of Spaghetti—enough to make a substantial meal for seven people—contains four times more nutrition than 1 pound of meat.

**FAUST**  
SPAGHETTI



5c and 10c pkgs.—buy to-day.

MAULL BROS.

St. Louis, Mo.

## OPEN EVENINGS

# STARCK'S PIANO SALE

NEW, SLIGHTLY USED, SECONDHAND, SHOPWORN AND OUR FACTORY SURPLUS

Pianos and Player-Pianos worth twice what we ask for them being sacrificed at next to nothing prices because we need the room for new instruments. It would be folly to carry these Pianos through the Christmas season, and the best way to move them quick is to slash the prices and terms—in fact, no reasonable offer will be refused. 30 days' free trial, no money down, \$1 per week.

NOW IS THE TIME—HERE ARE THE PIANOS (<sup>NEW AND</sup>) EVEN AT THESE PRICES AND TERMS EACH ONE CARRIES OUR IRON CLAD GUARANTEE OF FROM 10 TO 25 YEARS!

### USED PIANOS

KNABE	\$110	KIMBALL	\$95
WHEELOCK	\$65	GROWN	\$125
EMERSON	\$135	SOHMER & CO.	\$100
STEINWAY	\$145	HALE	\$35
WESSER BROS.	\$145	SHERMER	\$95
VOSE & SONS	\$50	ROBERT LOVELL	\$40
ORGANS	\$5	JULIUS BAUER	\$75
SQUARE PIANO	\$10	PLAYER-PIANO	\$250
Outside Player-Piano	\$25	CONRAD, oak	\$70

Now Starck Pianos, \$350 to \$750—Guaranteed 25 Years

New Starck (<sup>SOLOIST</sup>) Player-Pianos—\$750 to \$1000

30 DAYS' FREE TRIAL. NO MONEY DOWN.

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SCARF & DELIVERY. 5 YEARS' EXCHANGE

PRIVILEGE. 10 TO 25 YEARS' GUARANTEE.

Don't Wait—get your Xmas Piano or Player-Piano during this great sale and we will deliver it Xmas Eve if you prefer

**SPECIAL NOTE—If You Live Outside the City**

Write what Piano you like, and what price you wish to pay, so your order will have prompt attention. Any Piano shipped entirely on approval. If you wish to call personally and select a Piano we will pay your round trip fare within 100 miles of St. Louis. But act quickly—you MUST! These bargains won't—CAN'T—last long! OPEN EVENINGS.

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I know that my retirement will make no difference in its cardinal principles, that it will always fight for progress and reform, never tolerate injustice or corruption, always fight demagogues of all parties, never belong to any party, always oppose privileged classes and public plunderers, never lack sympathy with the poor, always remain devoted to the public welfare, never be satisfied with merely printing news, always be drastically independent, never be afraid to attack wrong, whether by predatory plutocracy or predatory poverty.

JOSEPH PULITZER.

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## LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE

Usher on the Monroe Doctrine

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

Prof. Usher's statements, if he has been correctly quoted, in your issue of this date, page 2, column 3, delivered before the Washington University Dental Association, are professionally unethical and absolutely untenable in the light of the political history of the United States, as well as of the political history of Germany and of the countries of the central powers.

It is unethical, at the least, that an educated man who should know and be able properly to interpret the history of the United States, should say that a "doctrine" which has stood the test of international diplomacy with all civilized nations for upwards of 100 years, "amounts to nothing." There was not a President of the United States since the days of Monroe who has not been called upon in one manner or other to reiterate and insist on the proper respect for the Monroe Doctrine; neither has there been a time since the days of Monroe that the "doctrine" which bears his name has not received its fullest respect by the nations of the civilized world. Now the children of all the grades of our public schools are being taught the history, value and import of the Monroe Doctrine; the United States has stood ready "at arms" at all times to defend it; never has it been properly questioned or impugned; the greatest men of the history of the last 100 years have acknowledged it, and yet Usher maligns it, ridicules it and sets it utterly at naught.

Prof. Usher has, I think, on other occasions as now, essayed to tell the people of the United States some things about their coast and land defenses. I should like to ask Prof. Usher whether he has ever understood the present status of the Panama Canal? Whether he has ever made a scientific comparison of the result of the action of 10 battleships against the fortifications of the Panama Canal? Whether he has really ever seen and intelligently understood the fortifications of the harbor of New York. If Prof. Usher will tell me and the readers of the Post-Dispatch that he has seen, understood and properly, scientifically, compared these things, I shall consider him only unethical for his unjustifiable assailment of the Monroe Doctrine. If he has neither seen nor understood what we believe to be satisfactory coast defenses, then I believe Washington University trustees should give him a quietus.

W. P. SACHE.

Unjust and Untimely.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

I notice that some 400 or 500 employees of the Street and Water Departments, mostly laborers, have been laid off on account of lack of city funds. These unfortunate ones are those who earn an existence and they and their dear ones need all they earn and receive to "keep the wolf from the door." Why not lay off a few of those professional "chair warmers" in the offices of the above departments, who have nothing to do but smoke cigars and look wise? Those who are drawing their \$100 to \$250 per month and do not know what it is to "earn their living by the sweat of their brow?" ONE WHO KNOWS!

Bad City Management.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

Can the Water Commissioner, the president of the Board of Public Service, the Director of Public Utilities or some of the others of our far-sighted city officials explain why they cannot reduce the wages of the higher paid employes, not excluding themselves, instead of laying off the poor workmen whose monthly wages mean food and warmth for their families and themselves? They lay them off during the bad weather. During the good weather they don't need coal and water or food; they can live on expectation. This proposed action is one of the meanest and most selfish of the many "flukes" our municipal government has to its credit.

Where are our Christians and our Christmas spirit?

KAB.

Railroad Needs.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

Referring to your editorial of Dec. 2 quoting Mr. Clifford Thorne of Iowa, I wish to say: "In nature's chain whatever link you strike, tenth of ten thousand breaks the chain alike."

The present situation of our railroads is like nature's chain, and it or they envelop nearly all elevations in life. Break any link and like a row of bricks, all will topple over. Mr. Clifford Thorne to the contrary, We face a condition, not a theory. Reedy's Mirror of Dec. 18 states the condition we are facing as lucidly as any could wish and it will be hard for Mr. Thorne or anyone else to successfully controvert what Reedy writes.

Please reproduce Reedy's article that the public may judge. It concerns every railroad or every party either interested in railroad securities or general business (for it is as deeply interested as the railroad security holdings).

Whether Reedy's views are yours or not, I know your sense of justice is such that you will act as requested.

GENE.

## 500 CITY EMPLOYES TURNED OFF.

With the problem of the unemployed greater than it has been for many years past the City of St. Louis adds to the acuteness of conditions at the beginning of winter by the discharge of 500 men who have been doing work for the divisions of streets, sewers and water supply.

This is not due to any lessening in the city's need for workers, but to the exhaustion of different budget funds from which the men have been paid.

"Comptroller Player will not hear of a supplementary appropriation," says Commissioner Wall, in admitting that he could find work for men if he had money to pay them.

"I have refused no supplementary appropriations," says Comptroller Player. "If any head of a division needs money for necessary work, it will be found."

The discharge of employees under these circumstances is a great blunder. The city always has work of various sorts which can be performed to public advantage. Instead of reducing its force, St. Louis should be planning ways, as other cities of the country are doing, of relieving the general distress by increasing its force.

The blunder of city officials, whoever they may be, who are responsible for these discharges, and who are said to be planning more, should be corrected at once. Proper co-operation between the financial, legislative and executive departments will enable this rich city to do justice to those who serve it. The public will approve all efforts to meet the emergency.

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## "UNFRIENDLY!" WELL, RATHER.

It will be an "unfriendly" act, if the United States uses force to prevent Mexicans from firing across the boundary at Naco, Ariz., and hitting American residents. So says Carranza, and Carranza has it right. It will be a decidedly unfriendly act, so unfriendly that there will be no more killing and wounding of Americans that way for a long time to come.

The casualties from this cause have reached a total of 52, quite enough to justify the use of the speediest means of stopping it.

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## UNION ELECTRIC'S NEW RULE.

The annulment by the Union Electric Light and Power Co. of the requirement as to a deposit of \$5 or \$10, according to circumstances, to insure the payment of bills is in line with the more intelligent public utility policy. That the concession is made just at the time when the Laclede Gas Co. is trying to revive a meter rental to encourage the burning of at least 50 cents' worth of gas in all months of the year will not be lost on the public.

Probably no business in the ordinary commercial lines, in which active competition must be met, suffers as small losses from "bad bills" as the utility companies. In addition to the protection of franchises, most of them enjoy a virtual monopoly in the form of service they give. A man can't run up a big bill and avoid paying by dealing with the store on the other side of the street.

If the British navy had more Holbrooks, perhaps there might have been stirring events to break the quietude of the naval deadlock in other parts of the world. What the British public will want to know is why mines and shore batteries at Helgoland and Kiel are so much more formidable than German-planted mines and German-commanded shore batteries on the Dardanelles.

Traction companies collect in advance and other utilities are not content with the simple means of enforcing payment by withholding the necessity they supply. An elaborate system of deposits, of penalties for nonpayment by specified dates, of guaranteed minimum consumption survives from the days when public service corporations controlled politics and municipalities. Some of the exactions are tolerated because the people have become habituated to the custom or have never known anything better or are unable to help themselves.

The butcher, the baker, the candlestick maker cannot exact an arbitrary payment for the privilege of doing business with them. In the supply of water under pressure the ready-to-serve cost is a factor as in other utilities, but few city-owned water departments require deposits or minimum charges. Arbitrary exactions, other forms of red tape that only exacerbate, can be advantageously cut out by privately owned utilities.

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## AN APPEAL TO EMPLOYERS.

During the past 12 months the State Free Employment Bureau has received over 8000 applications for employment, from various classes of workers. The Superintendent of the Bureau, realizing that special effort is needed at this time to meet the condition of unemployment, is sending a special letter to all employers, urging them to co-operate with the Bureau.

That they have not done this in the past is evident from the fact that the State Bureau complains that it has to compete with the many private employment agencies. These agencies charge an office fee of from \$1 "to an exorbitant sum," quoting the Superintendent's letter.

The private agencies that give good service deserve to live. But those that charge, as the Superintendent says, "an exorbitant sum" to men and women in need of work are as bad as the loan sharks. They are law breakers and should be put out of business.

In the present emergency, employers generally should make full use of the State Free Employment Bureau at 917A Pine street. An army of industrious men and women is threatened with destitution. Without work, thousands will become public charges. The State Bureau cannot perform the service for which it was created unless employers make full use of it.

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## A COLD GREETING TO HOBSON.

At a dinner of over 800 Pennsylvanians, Representative Hobson perhaps had a right to expect that the policy for lavish expenditures for war preparedness would be received with enthusiasm.

Their State is the home of the big armor-plate manufacturers. On the Delaware have been built many of the big battleships of the navy.

Pennsylvania is a State where business and politics have been thoroughly blended, and where the opinion prevails that it is the fixed duty of the Government to give first consideration to contractors and captains of industry. That so representative a company of Pennsylvanians should show itself indifferent to the inducements held out in Representative Hobson's plea for big armaments must have been a surprising revelation to him. Obviously they were not daunted by the prospect of big fleets and enormous appropriations, and they took the opportunity to prove that their hearts are in the right place.

If agitators of the Hobson type will take the trouble to feel out popular sentiment, they will discover soon or late that Americans are not in love with military display and are not in a chronic state of alarm over invasion by hostile Powers.

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## PREPAREDNESS-FOR FIGHTING.

The Providence Journal, advocating "a reasonable expansion of our military establishment," says:

The nation that is ready to defend itself may count most confidently on freedom from attack.

From which we infer that the news of the last four months in Europe has not yet reached Providence.

The European countries were prepared—for fighting: England with the world's mightiest navy; Germany with the world's best equipped army; Russia with the largest military force ever assembled by any monarch; France with an army so large it includes even her great artists, scientists, educators; Belgium with an army large for so small a nation and extraordinarily brave and efficient against great odds; Serbia with almost

every male between 13 and 60 trained to war; Austria with the biggest and best drilled army the dual monarchy ever possessed; Japan with an army 50 per cent and a navy 100 per cent more effective than when the Japanese whipped Russia.

We have seen what comes from having great preparedness for fighting. It is our judgment that after this orgy of international murder has spent itself, the sane survivors will demand that a trial be made of preparedness for peace. Let us not be too swift in building vast armaments.

## THE PARKWAY BILL.

If the members of the Council vote their expressed convictions on the Central Parkway bill tonight, St. Louis will have a handsome Christmas present. The preliminary steps for the construction of the parkway will be authorized.

The pending bill provides for the initial process in determining the value of land and the amount of assessment in the district necessary to the completion of the parkway. It is a business-like measure that will enable both the city authorities and the public to obtain full information with regard to the cost and benefits. There ought to be no question of its passing.

Of course the greater benefits will not be included in the information to be obtained by the business survey of the project. They relate to the redemption of a section of the city, the beautifying of the surroundings of the city hall and the Union Station, and the addition of a great, attractive thoroughfare east and west between Twelfth street and Grand avenue. It is a long step toward the City Beautiful.

The Council surely ought to demonstrate as much public spirit as the House has shown.

## A GALLANT FEAT OF ARMS.

Wherever courage in union with intelligence is held in esteem, the feat of Lieutenant-Commander Norman B. Holbrook in the Dardanelles will command admiration.

To attack two more ships after the sinkings of one had revealed his presence in the encounter with the Cressy, the Hogue and the Aboukir required special fortitude in Commander Otto Weddigen of the German submarine U-8, who, with the Emden's commander, shares the distinction of being one of the two romantic figures developed during the first months of the war at sea.

But Holbrook of the British submarine B-11 performed a deed of equal gallantry and skill when he braved the swift current of the Dardanelles, dived under five lines of anchored mines, torpedoed the Turkish battleship Messudieh and escaped unscathed from the gunnery of the sinking vessel and of the forts that lined the shores of the strait.

If the British navy had more Holbrooks, perhaps there might have been stirring events to break the quietude of the naval deadlock in other parts of the world. What the British public will want to know is why mines and shore batteries at Helgoland and Kiel are so much more formidable than German-planted mines and German-commanded shore batteries on the Dardanelles.

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## AN APPEAL TO EMPLOYERS.

During the past 12 months the State Free Employment Bureau has received over 8000 applications for employment, from various classes of workers. The Superintendent of the Bureau, realizing that special effort is needed at this time to meet the condition of unemployment, is sending a special letter to all employers, urging them to co-operate with the Bureau.

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U. S. Consul-General Resigns. Vienna, who left his post Nov. 18 on leave of absence and arrived in Detroit port sales department of a local automobile company, announced last night that he has resigned to take charge of the auto company.

## Hanan & Son REMOVAL SALE

Offers America's Finest Shoes at  
Greatly Reduced Prices

PREPARATORY to our removal to our new store at 720-722 Olive St., we are now offering many of our newest and most select lines of Men's, Women's and Children's Shoes at decided concessions from former prices—one of those unusual opportunities that will make an instantaneous appeal to all discriminating shoppers.

Men's and Women's \$4.00 Shoes	\$3.35
32 lines—this season's styles	
Men's and Women's \$4.50 Shoes	\$3.95
25 lines—this season's styles	
Men's and Women's \$5.00 Shoes	\$4.35
50 lines—this season's styles	
Men's and Women's \$6.00 Shoes	\$4.95
42 lines—this season's styles	
Men's and Women's \$7.00 Shoes	\$5.95
80 lines—this season's styles	
Men's and Women's \$7.50 Shoes	\$6.45
25 lines—this season's styles	



Men's  
Shoes in all  
styles and  
leathers.

NOTE  
These offerings include  
many lines with fawn  
gray buck and cloth  
tops.



Women's  
Shoes in all  
styles and  
leathers.

Hanan & Son  
610 Olive Street

Purchased From the Receivers  
BY ORDER OF THE  
U. S. DISTRICT COURT

Milford's Bankrupt Stock at 25c on the \$

Coats, Suits, Dresses, Waists,  
Furs, Millinery assorted into  
huge lots, and marked to sell  
at any price they will bring.  
Those who come early have  
first choice of the day's selling.

Please Have Exact  
Change if Possible

\$10, \$12, \$15 and \$25

COATS

In all styles and sizes go without re-  
serve to first comers in four im-  
mense groups—

\$1.90 \$2.90  
\$4.90 \$7.90

Dresses at 25c on the \$

You can take your choice of Evening, Party, House or Street  
Dresses, made for advance selling, in all fabrics and all manner  
of trimming, if you select early from these four lots:

Up to \$8 Up to \$12 Up to \$16.50 Up to \$20

Dresses Dresses Dresses Dresses

\$1.90 \$3.90 \$4.90 \$5.90

Waists, Skirts, Furs and Millinery, Positively  
Without Exception or Reserve, at

25c on the \$



716 WASHINGTON AV.

## HOW MEN DIE IN BATTLE SHOWN IN BELGIAN PICTURES

View of Films at Garrick Like  
Sitting in Grandstand at  
the Front.

TO BE HERE ALL WEEK

Soldiers Shot Down and Shells  
Exploded as Operator Worked  
His Machine.

Like a reserved seat on the battle  
line, without the perils incident to that  
point of vantage, is the view of one of  
the great scenes in the first and only  
moving pictures taken of the European  
war, being shown throughout this  
week, from 11 a. m. to 11 p. m. daily,  
at the Garrick Theater, for the benefit  
of the Post-Dispatch Christmas festi-  
val.

The spectator, as if he were only a  
few yards away, beholds a troop of  
Belgian infantrymen push forward with  
their rifles to occupy the crest of a  
hillside, near Antwerp. From their  
stooping, cautious positions one can  
ivididly sense, although not hear, the  
humming of the shells of bullets which  
are passing above and about them.

In this picture, not only realistic,  
but real of modern warfare, there is  
none of the old-time splendor of  
Sous Grays receiving a charge of cav-  
alry on their bayonets, or of the Old  
Guard galloping to its destruction at  
Waterloo. Instead, the soldiers creep  
forward stealthily, bent almost double,  
and carefully screen themselves behind  
every protection afforded by the con-  
tour of the ground.

For a moment one almost doubts the  
reality of their danger, for no foe is  
visible, and the Belgians fire apparently  
at nothing, with a sangfroid and delib-  
erateness which suggests a sham comb-  
at. Then, suddenly, with a poignant  
shock which can never be forgotten,  
the spectator sees his first man fall in  
battle; and there is brought home to  
him with a thrill of horror the fact  
that the figures on the screen are the  
shadows of real men in deadly hazard  
of their lives.

Man Falls, Shot in Side.  
Towards the rear of the line a sol-  
dier's arm, in plain view, abruptly jerks  
upward to the level of his shoulder.  
Then both arms are flung into the air  
and the body crumples down to the  
ground. A bullet has struck him in the  
side. In a moment Red Cross bearers,  
headless of their own peril, are beside  
him, lift him upon a stretcher and bear  
him away.

An instant later there is a flurry in  
the front rank upon the hillside, the men  
fall apart, and from among them comes  
another stretched with its piteous bur-  
den. These two tragedies are an elo-  
quent sermon upon the barbarity of  
war.

The man who braved the German  
shrapnel to afford St. Louis audiences  
an opportunity to see the fighting in  
Belgium, with their own eyes is  
Edwin F. Wiggin, staff photographer of  
the Chicago Tribune. He took the pic-  
tures under an exclusive contract with  
the Belgian Government.

The dangers Wiggin underwent may  
be judged not only from the scene on  
the hillside, but from the fact that in  
another picture the camera caught the  
explosion of a German shell in a house  
which seems not more than 200 yards  
from the photographer. The walls of  
the house splash out in every direction  
and the ruins burst into flame.

Some Heartrending Scenes.  
The films depicting the flight of refugees  
from bombed and burning Belgian  
villages are heartrending in their  
pathos. There are women stumbling  
along under the burden of the babies  
in their arms, and casting terror-stricken  
looks over their shoulders at the bombs  
exploding behind them. In one picture  
two lame women, to whose crutches  
panics has lent wings, stagger with mad  
haste across a bridge over which lies  
the way of escape.

Cities now famous in their destruction  
—Termonde, Alost, Malines—appear as  
empty streets flanked by the shells of  
buildings and cluttered with the bricks  
and stones thrown down by the enemy's  
artillery fire. Then a flood, spreading  
wide and wide over once teeming fields,  
shows how the Belgians, with desper-  
ate heroism, opened the dikes and gave  
back their hard-earned lands to the  
mercy of the sea, a few less drenched  
than the German armies.

An interesting feature of the exhibi-  
tion is that the legends on the films  
were written by Frank C. O'Connor,  
through parts of the campaigns in Bel-  
gium and Northern France, first with  
the Belgian troops and then as a guest  
of the German staff officers.

E. J. Bliss New President Boston  
Chamber of Commerce.  
BOSTON, Dec. 15.—Elmer Jared Bliss,  
president and founder of the Regal Shoe  
Co., has been elected president of the  
Boston Chamber of Commerce, one of  
the largest commercial organizations in  
the world, representing a consolidation  
of the old Chamber of Commerce and  
the new Merchants' Association.

It was Mr. Bliss who conceived and  
put into effect the successful plan of  
selling shoes from factory to foot, thus  
eliminating the costly middleman and  
putting the newest custom bootmakers  
directly within the people.

Today, the business he established is  
of world-wide scope, with four factories  
producing 8000 pairs of shoes a day, a  
chain of shoe stores stretching across  
the Continent and representation in 30  
foreign countries.

Dr. MacCracken Eastern College Head  
PAWTUCKET, R. I., Dec. 15.—Dr. Henry  
MacCracken, formerly president of  
Westminster College, Fulton, Mo., yes-  
terday was elected president of Lafay-  
ette College by the trustees to succeed  
Dr. Ethelbert D. Warfield, resigned.

Whiskies for the Holidays.  
Gaines' Old Crow, bottled in bottle, full  
quarts, \$1.25. Nicholson's "1865" Whis-  
kies, full quarts, \$1.25. David Nichol-  
son Grocer Co., 22-25 N. Sixth st.

## CHINESE AS "PROFESSOR" FOOLS HARVARD ALUMNI

Song of Imperial University of  
China; Launderman Makes Hit at  
Banquet.

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—"Prof. Song of the  
Imperial University of China," who was  
the "hit" of the Harvard Alumni banquet  
to the football team, is back at his  
regular job in a laundry. Released as he  
slides the static electricity and cuffs at  
2 cents each, he chuckles to himself  
over the way he deceived the Harvard  
men. For "Prof. Song" is not from  
the Imperial University at all, as many  
of the 1000 Harvard alumni thought. The  
"Professor" was recently released from  
Charles Street Jail.

The heads that combined to make the  
Harvard banquet a notable event had  
decided on the Chinese feature and  
coaxed the laundryman into the scheme.  
He was told what his name and position  
were to be, and for the first time he  
got into formal dress. When the time  
came for the "Imperial Professor" to  
give his impression of Harvard and Yale  
football, he was towed to the main  
stage and got his signals. He didn't  
miss one. "Bob" Benchley, the Har-  
vard humorist, who translated the Pro-  
fessor's remarks, had only to turn at  
the Chinese's sleeve for the Chinese to  
start talking. And a pinch on the fore-  
arm was the signal for "Prof. Song" to  
stop. Then Benchley interpreted.

Plops special, 8 lbs fine candy, \$1  
Candies, 1 lb pound up, \$1. Olive.  
  
New Jersey Woman Letter Writer  
Pined \$100.  
ELIZABETH, N. J., Dec. 15.—Mrs.  
Nelson L. Pollard of 114 Madison ave-  
nue, who has been accused of sending  
vile, obscene letters to well-known  
men and women of this place, was fined  
\$100 each on two indictments by Judge  
Connolly in the Court of Special Ses-  
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Counsel for Mrs. Pollard made a plea  
for clemency on the ground that the let-  
ters were the work of a person of af-  
fected mind. He said that Mrs. Pollard  
had been in a sanitarium for several  
weeks.

HARRY: I'll be very discreet if you buy  
this for me. I like it for Christmas gifts at  
Porter Bros. & Co., the National Credit Jewelers,  
1st floor, 308 N. 6th st. Open evenings.

## ACQUITTED OF SENDING "POISON PEN" LETTERS

Mrs. Margaret McCready of Ypsilanti,  
Mich., faints when Jury  
Returns Verdict.

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 14.—Mrs. Mar-  
garet McCready of Ypsilanti has been  
found not guilty by a jury here of sending  
"poison pen" letters through the  
mail to married men and women. Mrs.  
McCready, who is a nurse, fainted when  
the verdict was announced.

More than 20 "poison pen" letters, of  
a character which made them unat-  
tentionable, were sent to residents of Ypsilanti.  
Trouble in a number of families was  
said to have been caused by the let-  
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\$2.50 to \$5000  
expended on a  
Waterman's Ideal  
Fountain Pen

buys a gift with a reputation for quality and usefulness. Sold  
in attractive Christmas boxes. Avoid substitutes. Regular,  
Safety and Self-Filling Types.

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L. E. Waterman Company, 173 Broadway, New York

WHO'S THE BEST  
DANCER IN ST. LOUIS?

## OUR SECOND ANNUAL DECEMBER SALE

"The Sale for the Christmas Bride"

FURNISHING HOMES OUR SPECIALTY

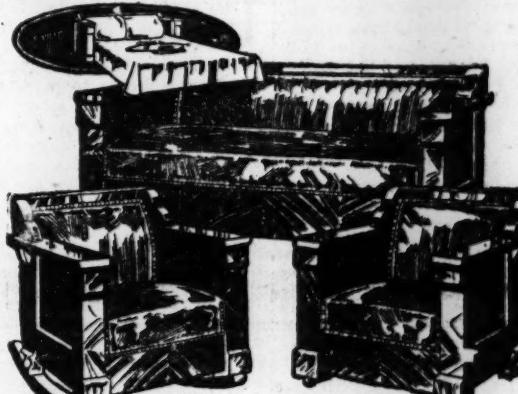
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SPECIAL  
DIVAN-BED  
PARLOR SET

\$39.75

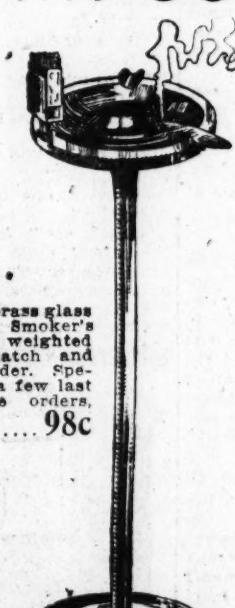
Wednesday  
Special!  
Tapestry Tray

98c



A 15-inch oval mahogany  
tray with tapestry center, covered with  
glass. Truly a \$2 value—spe-  
cially delivered—none sent C. O. D.... 98c

\$2 Smokers' Stand.... 98c



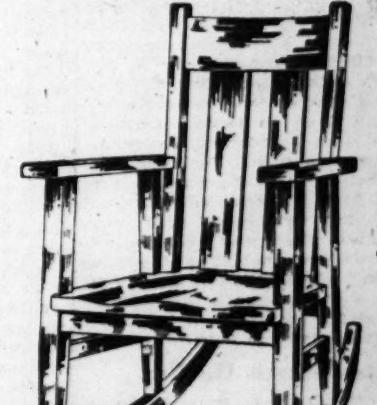
A solid brass glass  
lined smokers' stand with lighted  
bottom, match and cigar holder. Spe-  
cial while a few last  
orders, none sent C. O. D.... 98c

10-Inch  
Brass  
Jardiniere 98c



A 10-inch solid hammered brass  
jardiniere—exactly like picture—  
one-day special—no phone orders—  
none delivered—none sent C. O. D. Special.... 98c

Comfort Rocker, \$4.50



A solid oak Rocker—in any oak finish—a big Christ-  
mas gift.... \$4.50

First  
Payment



Agents for  
Buck's  
Stoves and  
Ranges

During our big December special sale we will continue the sale of these wonderful Circassian Walnut Bedroom Sets. We have made many happy homes and many sets have been  
sold as Christmas presents. The set is fine enough for any home—Dresser, Bed, Chiffonier and  
Drapery. Dresser has curved front, 48-inch top, bevel plate mirror. Chiffonier, Bed and Dressing Table..... \$79.00

Weekly or  
Monthly  
Payments

Agents for  
Perfection  
Oil  
Heaters

RHODES-BURFORD  
414-416 N. BROADWAY  
BETWEEN LOCUST AND ST. CHARLES ST'S.

## CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION FOR MISSOURI URGED

Code Revision Commission Makes Recommendation in Unanimous Report to Governor.

### COURT REFORM IS SOUGHT

Improved Legal Machinery Needed; Help for St. Louis Appeals Bench Proposed.

From Special Correspondent of the Post-Dispatch.

JEFFERSON CITY, Dec. 15.—All 45 members of the Code Revision Commission signed and sent to Gov. Major today their report, in which they recommend that he call a constitutional convention to revise the Constitution of Missouri so that the judiciary and the legal machinery of the State may be made responsive to needs which have changed greatly since the adoption of the code more than three-quarters of a century ago.

The calling of a constitutional convention is imperative, the commission points out, because the fact which all constitutional amendments submitted to the voters in recent years have met, proves that the people are opposed to changing the organic law by piecemeal.

#### Aid for St. Louis Courts.

The report recommends that three commissioners be added to the St. Louis Court of Appeals for the next two years, to enable it to catch up with its docket. It also suggests that several counties be taken from the jurisdictions of the St. Louis and Kansas City Courts of Appeal and added to that of the Springfield court.

The commissioners unanimously urge that the State be redistributed into new circuits and that the salaries of all judges be revised.

"We believe we have too many courts," said the commission, in recommending a constitutional convention. "Multiplicity of courts creates confusion and loss of judicial efficiency, with consequent increased expense to the State and litigants."

"To accomplish a reasonable reorganization and unification of our courts, and to effect a number of the vital and most desired changes in our procedure, we are of the opinion that provision should be made for a constitutional convention in the near future."

#### SALARIES FOR JUDGES.

The report recommends higher salaries for Judges and calls attention to the wide discrepancy between salaries paid Judges of the various courts, with the comment: "Its incongruous inequalities are apparent on the face of it."

Judges of the Supreme Court receive \$4000 per year. Judges of the St. Louis Court of Appeals receive \$5500. Judges of the Kansas City Court of Appeals receive \$3500 and \$1000 additional for writing a syllabus of their opinions. Judges of the Springfield Court receive \$3000. Circuit Judges of St. Louis receive \$5500 and Judges of the same rank in Jackson County are paid \$5000. Circuit Judges in the country districts receive a salary of \$2000 and \$1200 for traveling expenses.

### FATHER LOSES FIGHT FOR GIRL

Judge Lets Grandmother Keep Alvin Wagner, 5 Years Old.

Judge Hitchcock today refused to grant a writ of habeas corpus sought by Jacob J. and Lulu Wagner of 2318 Gaine street, demanding that Mrs. Margaret Reseboe of 802 Geyer avenue produce in court Alvera Wagner, the 5-year-old daughter of the first petitioner. Mrs. Reseboe is the child's grandmother and has had her in charge since the death of Wagner's first wife, in 1911.

Two years ago Wagner married again and recently has sought to regain possession of his daughter. He told the court that he has not contributed to the support of the child. He called as a witness the Rev. George W. King of Markham Memorial Presbyterian Church, who testified that the second Mrs. Wagner had been his assistant in church work for several years and is trained in the care of children.

Judge Hitchcock asked the minister directly, however, what he would do in the case if he were Judge, considering the good care given the child by the grandmother and the father's long standing lack of interest, and the minister replied that he guessed he would let the child remain with her grandmother.

The court then refused the writ, but told Wagner he could see his daughter at stated times if in the future he contributed \$2 weekly to her support.

### SLAYER OF PRINTER SAYS HE IS GLAD HE STABBED HIM

HANNIBAL, Mo., Dec. 15.—Frank Chapman, who confessed yesterday that he fatally wounded Lee Ashford, a printer, who he says attacked him, will be given a hearing Thursday on a charge of murder in the first degree.

"I am glad of it," Chapman declared in his confession. He asserted that Ashford followed him into an alley and struck him and that he stabbed Ashford in the neck in self-defense.

Ashford died last night.

Zinc Mines Active Again.  
DODD CITY, Ark., Dec. 15.—Interest in zinc mining again is being taken in this vicinity, and two cars of ore will be shipped this month. W. A. Childs and L. C. Fitzsimmons are at work on the Governor Eagle mine and have out nearly a carload of high grade zinc. Lou Morrow and W. A. McCurry are at work on the Ontario property and are now hauling a car of zinc ore to the depot at Yellville, where it will be loaded out.

Watch Post-Dispatch for excellent rooms to rent and apartment vacancies.

**HURT IN A 20-FOOT FALL**  
John Kissner, 65 years old, of 4519 Blair avenue, president of the John Kissner Feed Co., at 423 North Broadway, is in a serious condition at St. Luke's Hospital, as a result of a fall at his feed store yesterday afternoon.

When on the second floor he stepped on a loose board, which gave way, and fell 20 feet to the first floor. Kissner's left arm and right knee cap were broken. His face and head were cut and he was injured internally.

**30 DAYS FOR STEALING PAPERS**  
CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—Harold Miller was arraigned before Judge Caverly today, charged with stealing newspapers from the doorway of a drug store. He pleaded guilty and said he could not get work. He was sentenced to 30 days in the Bridewell and to pay \$10 costs.

"Be lenient with him, Judge," pleaded the druggist.

"But this is the meanest kind of a thief," said the Judge. He vacated the fine, but allowed the sentence to stand.

**HAWK WOULD NOT BE A PET**  
Horton, Ky., Dec. 15.—Dr. Heying took Joe Lindsay, Frank Dorel and Ed Davis out on a hunting trip and, coming home, Davis shot a hawk, crippling it so severely that the bird could not fly. He brought it to town with the idea of making a pet of it, but the hawk thought differently.

It chewed up everything it could reach, including the door of the room and Ed took it out in the street and chased him half a block. The bird had a five-foot stretch of wing, and was so wild and fierce it had to be killed.

**Women Freed of Shoplifting Charge**  
Mrs. Fannie Bodright, 47 years old, and her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Catherine Collis, both of 334 Westminster place, who were arrested in the Famous-Barr

store yesterday afternoon on a charge of shoplifting, were later released at the request of one of the managers of the store, after they had returned the articles.

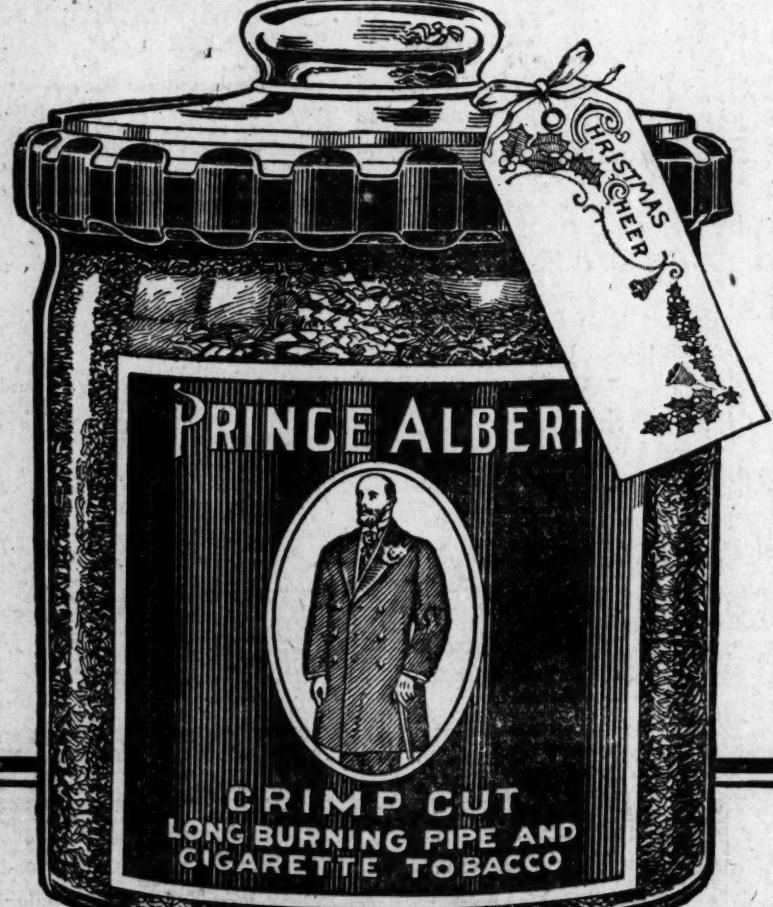


## HEINZ Spaghetti

COOKED READY TO SERVE

You may have eaten spaghetti, but you have never eaten it better than this. It is delicious, appetizing, wholesome, easily served; good hot or cold, made in the perfect Italian way, but in the Heinz clean kitchens. At all grocers.

ONE OF THE 57



### Give this Pound of Christmas Spirit

This clean-cut crystal-glass humidor of P. A. will certainly carry the spirit of Christmas to that blessed man whom you want to remember. It has the look of quality—just can't help it, 'cause the double-good smokings inside is P.A. Yes, there's no holiday package too good for "him." So make it

## PRINCE ALBERT

the national joy smoke

The one pipe food that cannot bite the tongue or parch the throat, because the wonderful patented process, controlled exclusively by us, takes out the sting and leaves P. A. as biteless as a day-old pup. Get him P. A. in this handsome humidor. That knob on the cover holds a sponge to keep P. A. in the freshest and best of condition. Every time he takes off that cover he'll think of you in the spirit that goes to him on Christmas morning. You needn't try to think of the gift that he'll appreciate. It's here. Not very many days left, either. Just ask for this fine P. A. package in any store that sells tobacco. Also in the tidy red tin, 10c, and the toppy red bag, 5c, for men who like to buy from day to day.

R. J. REYNOLDS TOBACCO CO.

Winston-Salem, N. C.

TUESDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 15, 1914.

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## DIAMONDS - WATCHES ON CREDIT

### THE BEST GIFT OF ALL

#### Lofis Perfection

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# POST-DISPATCH'S DAILY RECORD OF MARKETS

**\$4,954,852,000 IS VALUE OF THIS YEAR'S FARM CROPS**

**Figures Compare Favorably With Last Year Despite Low Price of Cotton—Corn Crop Totaled 2,672,804,000 Bu.**

**COTTON MARKET IS FIRM ON THE HIGHER CABLES**

**NEW YORK Dec. 15.—The cotton market opened steady today with prices up to 4 points higher on continued covering and in sympathy with the cotton market in India. Cotton stocks held at 7.2c on the call, or open outcry, for the low level of last Friday, and the market was firm. The market was evidently responsible for any general weakness, which was evidently responsible for any general weakness, which was evident around the ring. There was considerable however, and active buying at the initial figures and some 3 or 4 points during the early trading.**

**LIVERPOOL Cotton.**  
PIECES steadier; American middling spot, 4.62c; middling, 4.64c; low middling, 3.8d; high middling, 5.8d. Sales, 2,544; sales, 3,600 bales, including sales, 3,600 and 3,600 for speculation and exports.

**LIVESTOCK.**  
NATIONAL STOCKYARDS, Inc., Dec. 15.

**DECEMBER WHEAT.**  
ST. LOUIS, Dec. 15.

**Comparative receipts table:**

**ST. LOUIS CLEARING HOUSE STATEMENT.**

**TODAY** Week Year

**Last week** Ago Ago

**Decreases** \$1,320,600 \$427,947

**ST. LOUIS**

**Chicago**

**Minneapolis**

**Toledo**

**119%**

**St. Louis**

**Chicago**

**Kansas City**

**Toledo**

**119%**

**St. Louis**

# DAILY COMIC PAGE

"S'Matter Pop?" by Payne.  
"Axel, Floey and the Moving Pictures" by Vic.  
"Can You Beat It?" "The Day of Rest and Why Not?" by Kellen.

# POST-DISPATCH

"The Jarr Family" by McCarell.  
"Bill" by Paul West.

# DAILY COMIC PAGE

## The Jarr Family

By ROY L. McCARELL

Mr. Jarr Is Made an Accomplice in the "Maiden Martyr" Production.

"It's an old spectacular drama of the days of Nero. I think it was originally written at about that time," explained Mr. Harold Dogstoy, Prince of Press Agents.

"The managers won't touch a big spectacle or a musical show, as a general thing; but now that Old Man Smith will back it, so his wife can go on the stage, we can all have our cakes this winter."

"You don't mean to tell me you are going to let my boss lose his good money in backing a play with his wife, who has had no stage experience, in the leading role, just to satisfy her foolish vanity? I'll put him wise!" retorted Mr. Jarr virtuously.

"Every knock is a boast," replied the press agent, calmly. "If his wife wants to go on the stage, and he has the money, all you can do or say will not help any. He will only be sore at you, if it's a bloomer, for telling him so beforehand. Besides, who can tell if it will be a bloomer? I have seen the best plays, written by the best authors and played by the best players and produced by the best managers, die standing up. It's a gamble. Mrs. Mudridge-Smith might be a big hit. 'The Maiden Martyr' has been written and by Horatio Walbridge, and has been refused by so many managers that it's likely to be just what the public wants."

"Besides, it has a big punch scene, where the Maiden Martyr is thrown into a den of lions. It may be the biggest hit in years. I've seen such things."

"Besides, I've got to live. And a man like me can't live, doing publicity for a film. I've been press agenting big moving picture productions all this season, and there is no excitement in it. You might as well be getting publicity for a new process vacuum cleaner."

"Does a film kid for the best dressing room? Does a film refuse to make the town unless it is a dressing room on the sleeping car? Does a film pull any temperamental stuff and demand that its husband shall or shall not travel with the show? Does a film care

what other films are on the program? Does a film present you with a diamond-studded and suitably inscribed watch if it gets fine notices and have you canned if it doesn't? No! Henceforth I will live for my art! I will not throw away the work of the most fertile imagination in the publicity profession on an insensitive, unappreciative, inarticulate fifth."

"Well, I think it's a joke, a cruel and comic joke. This misguided, silly woman, Mrs. Mudridge-Smith; and an old husband, who will throw away a lot of good money on the proposition," Mr. Jarr insisted.

"Don't you worry," said Mr. Dogstoy. "A booh is never happy unless he is losing money in some business he knows nothing about. I'll get my salary till the thing blows up, the Beagles will get their salaries and commissions, and if it is a success they'll have part of the show. The man who has the lions on his hands will get a bunch of coins, less the commission he has to give to the Beagles. Besides, if your boss saves his money by refusing to back the show, will you get any of it? Will we? No! Then let your motto be 'Live and Let Live and May Boobs With Bank Rolls. Share Them With Those

## 'SMATTER POP?

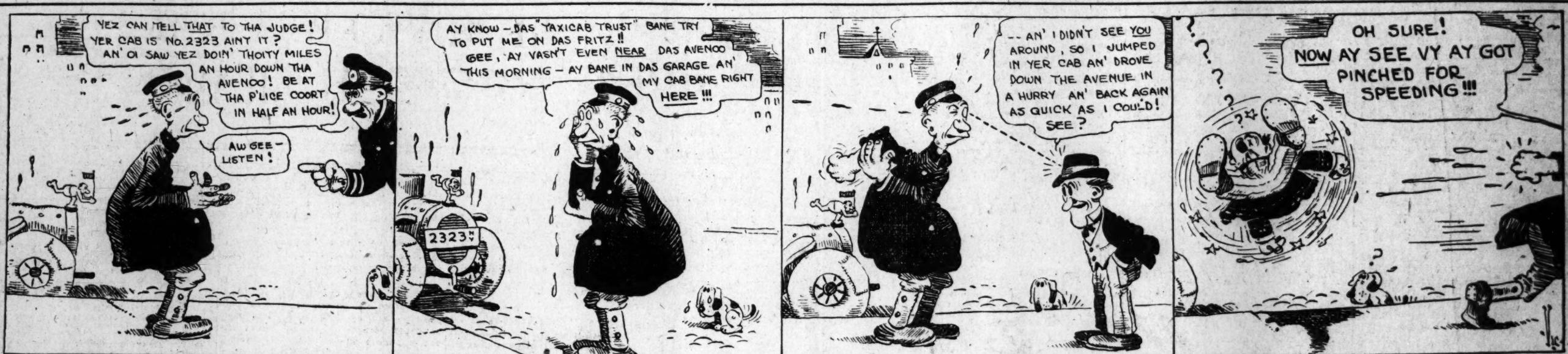
Maybe He Won't Break the Next One!

Drawn for the Post-Dispatch  
By G. M. PAYNE



## Now Wouldn't It Have Been Better if Axel Had Made Floey Pay the Fine?

Drawn for the Post-Dispatch  
By VIC.



Who Can Get Them to Loosen Up?

"Will you tell me how Mrs. Mudridge-Smith can act when she's never had any experience?" asked Mr. Jarr.

"Does a martyr maiden have to act?" replied Mr. Dogstoy.

"All she'll have to do is to moan and tremble—stage fright will do that for her—when the tyrant Nero orders her to the lions."

Then there will be a dark-change scene from the palace of Nero to the lions' den in his private lion garage. Then

Narcissa, the martyr maiden, will be shown walking in among the lions and will be just about to be devoured when

Parsons, the patrician amateur gladiator, will save her. Lights! Music! Effect! Success!"

"Do you mean to tell me Mrs. Clara Mudridge-Smith will enter a cage of live lions, vain as she is and stage-struck as she is?" asked Mr. Jarr.

"Leave it to us," said Mr. Dogstoy.

"We'll fake it and get the effect. Besides, these lions are so old they have

to be fed Hamburger steak. Come, don't be a knocker! Boost!"

So Mr. Jarr was cajoled into being a party in fulfilling the stage aspirations of a stage-struck amateur. But something told him!

## Hits From Sharp Wits.

A man may be slow but sure, but slowness does not guarantee sureness.

When a welcome is worn out there is no replacing it with a new one.—Deseret News.

Who says cutting things and afterward explains that he didn't mean them hurts feelings just the same.

Many a man who sits around a gas grate and sighs for the good old days used to have to split kindling at night and get up at 5:30 in the morning to start the fire.—Toledo Blade.

What is made to look to you like a sure thing is more likely to be sure for the other fellow.—Albany Journal.

As a general thing, the kind of man who depends on luck for his living boards at a cheap place.—Galveston News.

Probably not until all the highways are paved with gold will there be no burs or weeds by the roadside.—Deseret News.

What has become of the old-fashioned fellow who used to say, "What your head doesn't do your heels will have to?"

The fellow who thinks that this country should not remain neutral should be directed to the recruiting office.—Nashville Banner.

Those who are inclined to spread seldom realize how flat is their performance.—Deseret News.

Hindsight may be deceptive. Not all the things that we think we might have done would have turned out so well as it may seem to us that they would have done.

## Giggles From Puck

### Why Men Leave Home.

Harley (just arrived): Gee, but the man in this flat is dopey, Clara.

Mrs. Harley: Maybe it's due to the steam hitting the pipe.

### Home Strategists.

"The armies are going into winter quarters."

"Yes, they are moving in from the porch to the cracker boxes around the stove."

An Important Line.

The House Manager: I see you use that old stall—I know what I do.

While waiting for Percy I'll practice my little song and dance." Cut it out.

The Rough Souffre: Great Heav-

ings, man! I gotta have some excuse for my specialty.

### Reciprocity.

Very Sparingly-Gowned Lady (in

Jewelry store): I want to see your pins.

Man Cl-k: That's only fair. I can see yours.

A Natural Mistake.

"What sort of a school is 'Lesser Tudwinkler's' niece going to, up to the city?"

"A Controversy of Music, I believe they call it; she's learnin' to be a choir singer."

Society Son: But, dad, I could hard-

ly do that on my income, with all-mony as high as it is now!

Often if one does as his friends want him to do he is done.

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